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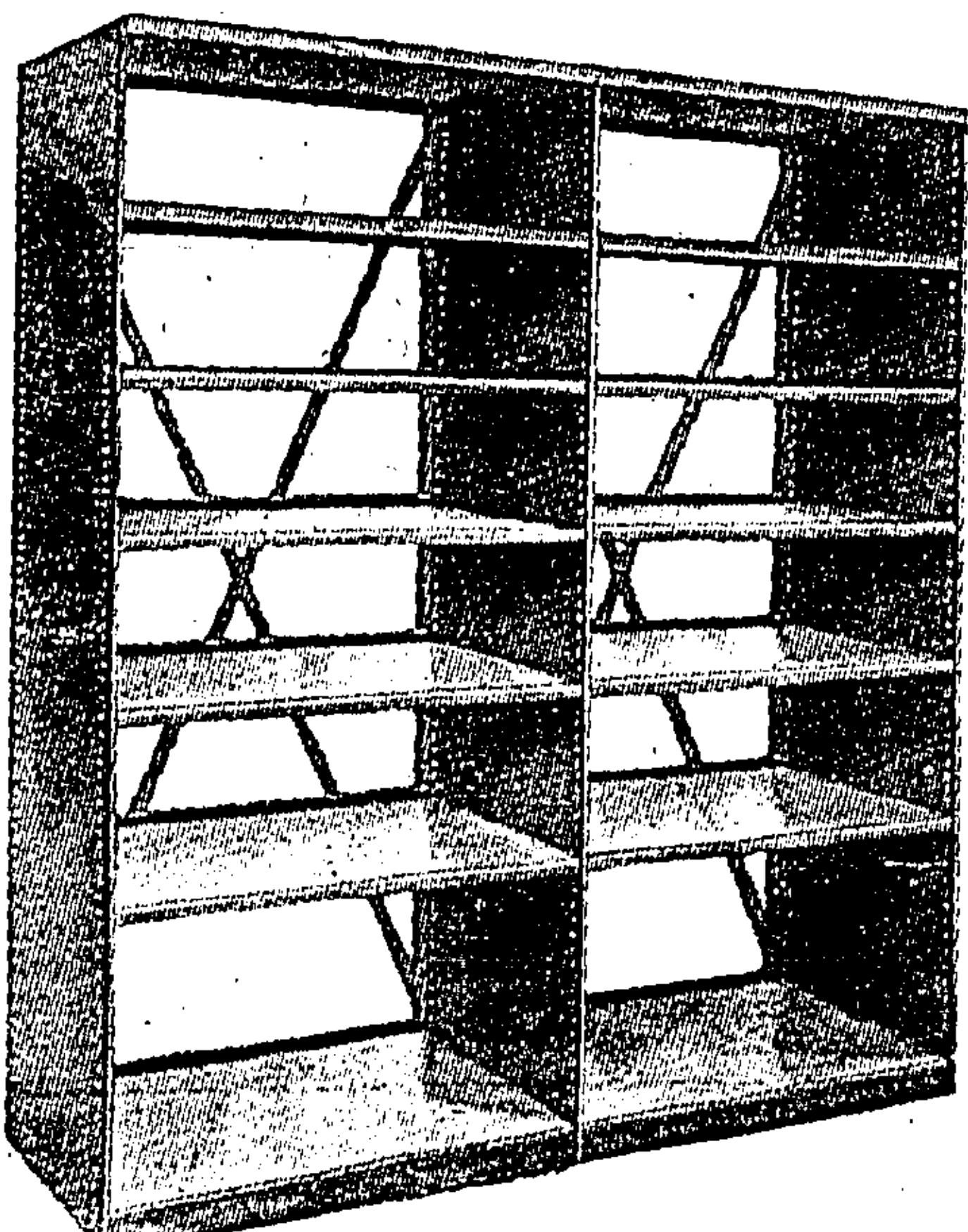
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DEFENCE DESCRIBES CASE AS EXTRAORDINARY.

After a long trial, extending over nearly two months, the case in which three persons, two men and a woman, were charged with being concerned in the sale of a girl, was concluded before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon.

In convicting the defendants, Mr. Whyte Smith said that he found it very hard to believe that the first defendant (represented by Mr. Arthur Covey) was much better than a common kidnapper. Mr. Covey relied entirely, for his defence, on the actions of a man named Man Chang and also to a certain extent on the actions of Li Sau-ku, the girl's sister. With regard to the man, Man Chang his Worship's opinion was that he was either a fictitious person or else was actually the person who had kidnapped the girl.

Continuing, his Worship said that the girl stated that a man had spoken to her in the street and asked her to go for a walk. He thought that it was possible that that man was Man Chang, who was suggested by the first defendant's solicitor to have been the paramour of Li Sau-ku and possibly the father of the girl.

Suggestion Not Supported.

Now, proceeded the Magistrate, there was not a jot or tittle of evidence to support that suggestion and he had to say he was rather surprised that it had been made. But even if Man Chang was actually that person and was one of the principal people in the transfer of the girl, the first defendant had absolutely failed to show that he had any reason to believe that he was entitled to take part in the transaction, even if it was a transaction for the adoption according to Chinese customs. His Worship, however, described the question of adoption as being ludicrous.

Even on the first defendant's evidence, Li Sau-ku, according to him might be the mother of the girl but she was ignorant of the name of the adopter and also of the whereabouts of the girl. The first defendant had failed to show why he had been concerned in the transaction at all, it having taken place at his house.

Continuing, the Magistrate said that he did not have the slightest reason to doubt that Li Sau-ku had reported the matter to the Police at the earliest possible moment or at least within a very reasonable time. If her actions, as suggested by the first defendant, or by his solicitor, were actuated by an elaborate scheme for "flying the white pigeon," and recovering the child after having secured the price, he must say that he thought that scheme was about the most clumsy that one could imagine. He would say it was incredibly clumsy. He did not believe the first defendant's evidence. He had called as witnesses his wife and his employer, neither of whose evidence did he believe. He had also called a constable who had no relevant evidence to offer.

An Extraordinary Case.

Having held that the transaction was not an adoption, according to Chinese custom, his Worship said it followed that the second and third defendants must be convicted also. He regarded their offence as less serious. The second defendant was the go-between and obviously had nothing to do with the original kidnapping, but, it had to be remembered, that if there were no go-betweens there would be fewer kidnappers.

Mr. Covey intimated that there was no evidence of kidnapping. His Worship replied that he did not say that there had been. What he said was that the second defendant was more remote from kidnapping than the first defendant.

Mr. Covey described the case as the most extraordinary one he had

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The above is an extract from the will of Sung Yu-nam, alias Sung Lan-cheung, formerly of No. 19, Bonham Strand West, who died at Lam-shu Chung Village, Fa Yuen District, Kwangtung, on November 14, 1928, leaving Hongkong estate to the value of \$37,800.

Probate has been granted to Sung Yeung-shi (widow) daughter-in-law, Sung Pui-choi, second son, and Sung King-choi, third son, the executrix and executors named in the will, all of whom are living at the Bonham Strand address.

At the beginning of his will, testator states: "I left home for abroad while young and toiled throughout my life. With benediction extended to me by my forefathers I could only afford to build up such a family and create such a small estate. Both in the country and in Hongkong I am possessed of some insignificant properties. On account of my crabbed age and frequent illness I cannot foretell when I will meet my end. In the event of my death all the property left by me during my lifetime shall be dealt with in accordance with the Law Code of the Tai Tsing Dynasty of China."

been concerned in and said it must be one of the most extraordinary ones that his Worship had had before him. Unfortunately the first defendant had no money to appeal, but if he had he (Mr. Covey) would certainly appeal in a case like that.

With regard to the third defendant (represented by Mr. C. E. L. Grist), his Worship said that he held that he had tried to buy a *mini-tsat* and he did in fact buy a *mini-tsat*. He supposed the defendant thought, by getting the red paper, he would get over the legal obstacles, but he did not even pretend to have been in touch with the girl's parents.

Mr. Grist pointed out that the defendant had been told that the girl's parents were dead.

His Worship replied that he would know that she had grandchildren.

To Defendants' Credit.

Continuing, his Worship said that with regard to the third defendant he would put it to his credit that he had produced the girl. It was not like one of those terrible cases where the child could not be found. He would put it to the credit of the first defendant that he had reported to the police when he heard that there was some trouble. The Magistrate rather imagined that the first defendant considered he had safeguarded himself against legal consequences, but he did think that his reporting the matter to the police rather took him out of the category of being a kidnapper or one closely associated with kidnappers.

His Worship remarked that the maximum penalty of twelve months' hard labour and 24 strokes of the birch would have been imposed but for that fact, but as it was he sentenced the defendant to four months' hard labour and fined each of the other two defendants \$300 or two months' hard labour in default.

Mr. Covey asked his Worship to take into consideration the fact that the defendant had been in prison for nearly two months but his Worship replied that in passing sentence he had already taken that into account.

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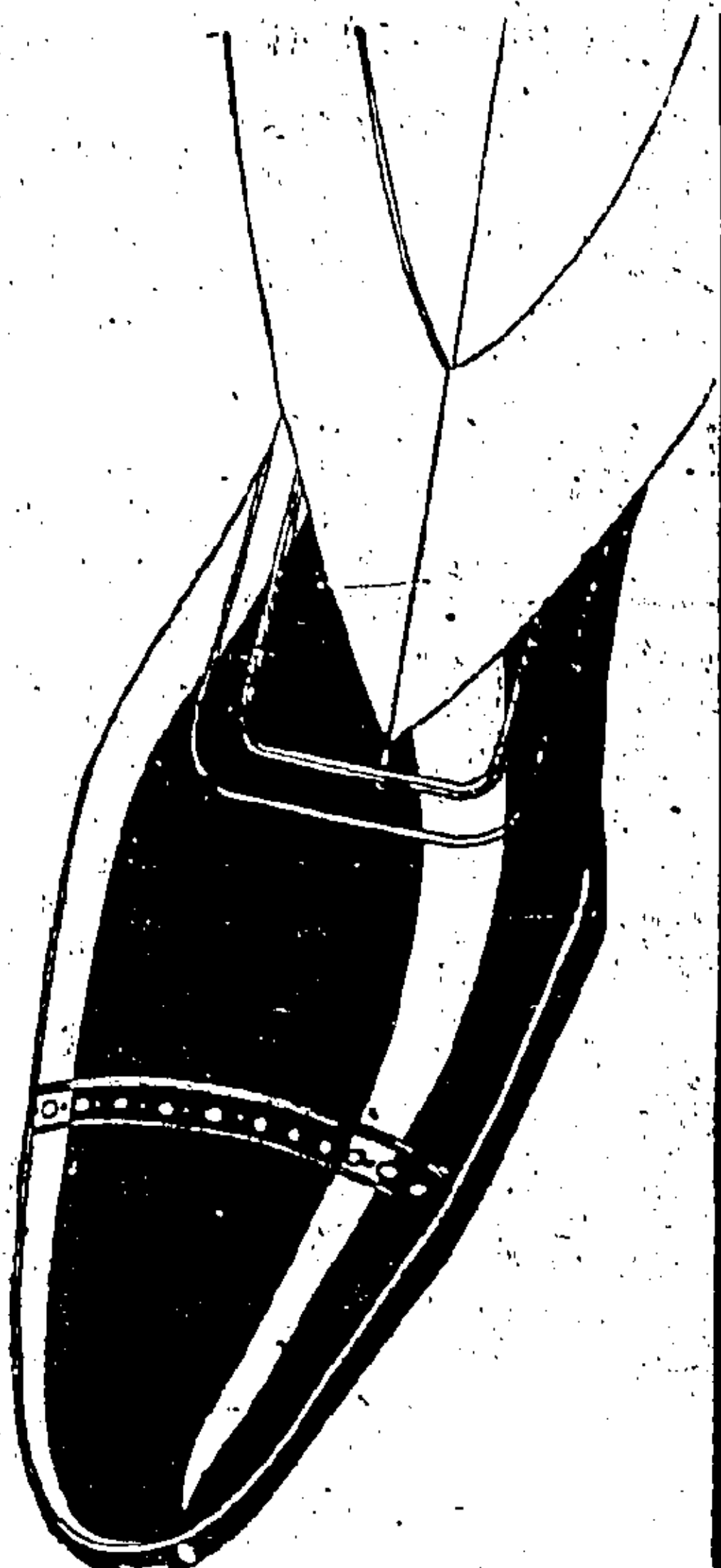
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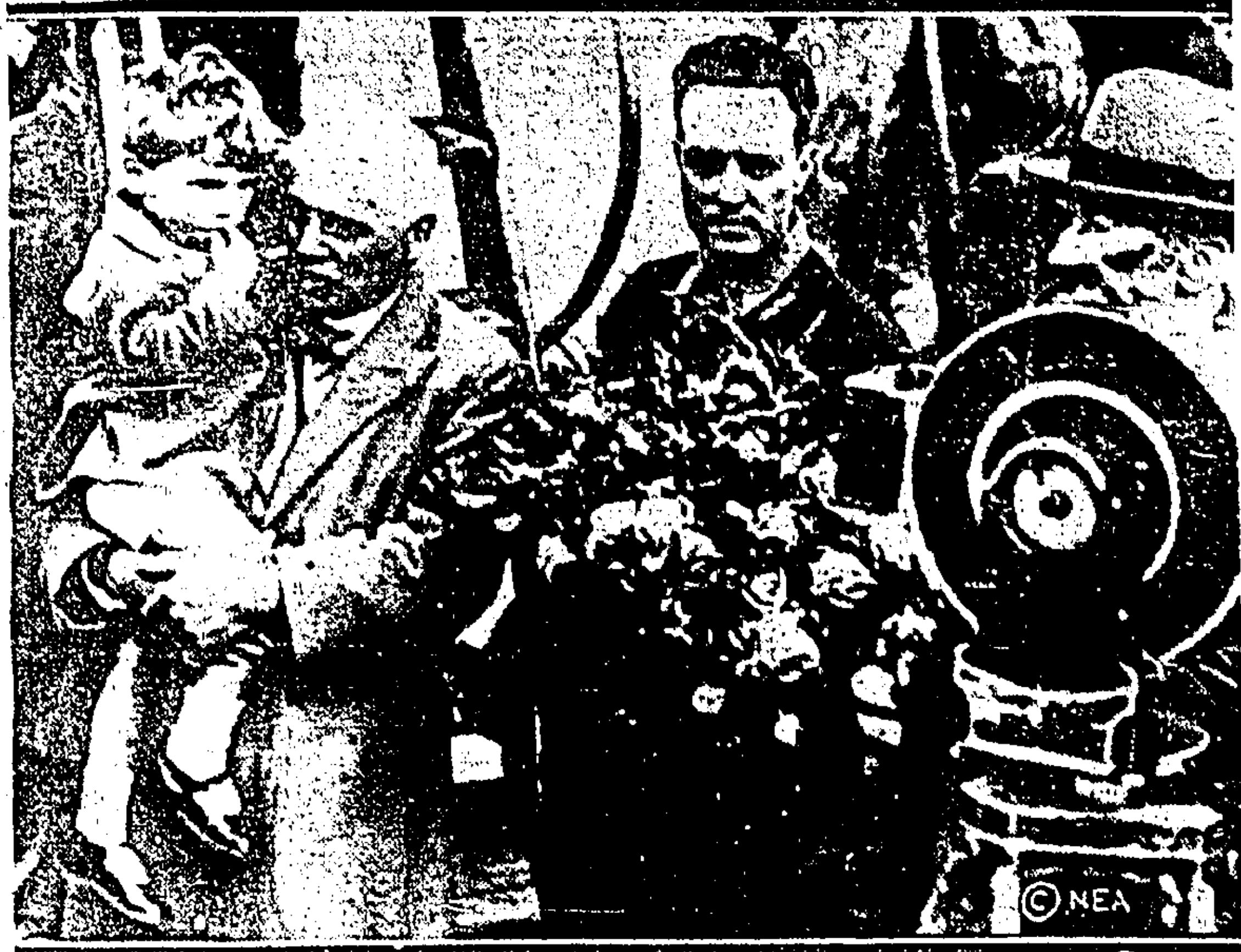
WHY THERE GOES TH' SCOUNDREL NOW THAT CHEATED ME OUT OF MY FORTUNE!

YEAH—HOW'S THAT?

HE PUT TH' KIBOSH ON ME MARRYIN' HIS DAUGHTER!



Mr. E. C. Drury, former Premier of Canada, and Mr. J. J. Lent who gave important evidence recently on prohibition.



Admiral Richard Byrd, commander of America's intrepid exploration party in Antarctic regions, receiving the first plaudits of an admiring world at Dunedin, New Zealand, the first point in civilization reached by the flagship City of New York. Byrd is shown in the center, with a bouquet just presented to him. Left is Mayor Black of Dunedin. This picture was carried from New Zealand to Byrd's flagship, rushed to New York by special plane and telephotoed to San Francisco.

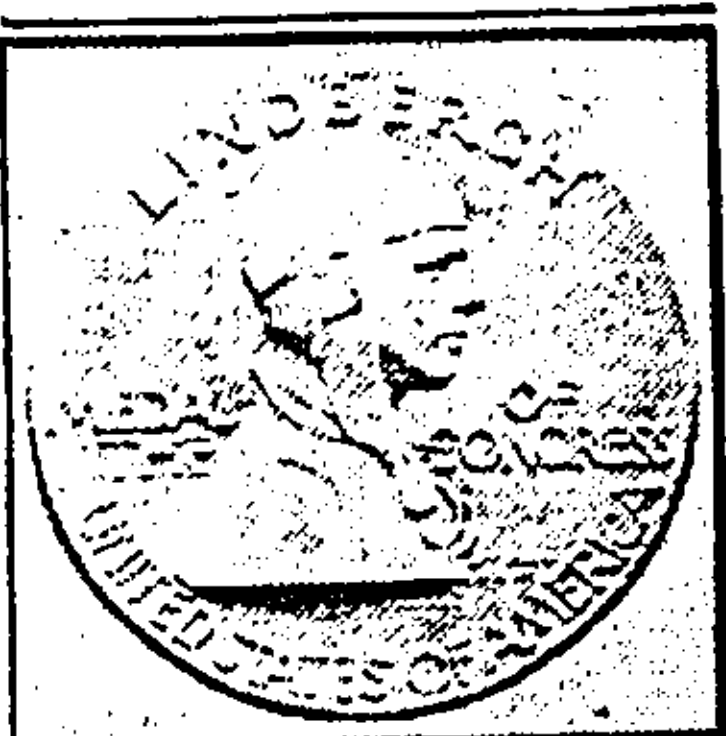
For Prohi Job



Prominently mentioned among those who may succeed Dr. J. M. Doran as U.S. prohibition commissioner, when he retires soon, are Major Maurice Campbell, above, and Harry Anslinger, below.



Sydney Franklin of Brooklyn, N. Y., has gained fame as the only American matador in Spain.



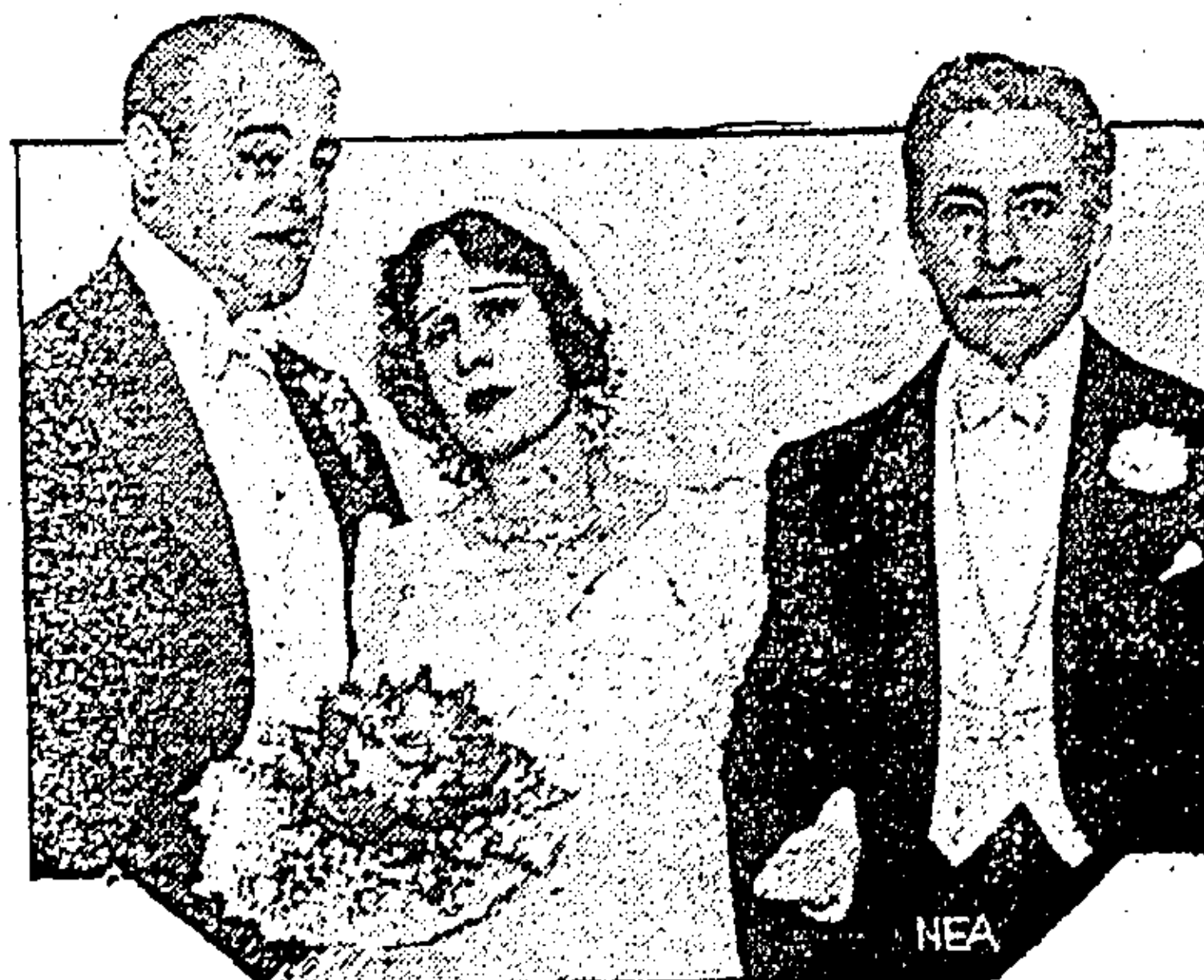
The design for the medal which Congress has voted for presentation to the famous aviator Col. Lindbergh.



And this first picture shows the intrepid aviator who conquered two poles, as his flagship, City of New York, arrived at Dunedin, New Zealand, after 15 months in Antarctic wastes. Byrd, wearing hip boots, a brown sweater and wool cap, is shown holding his mascot terrier.



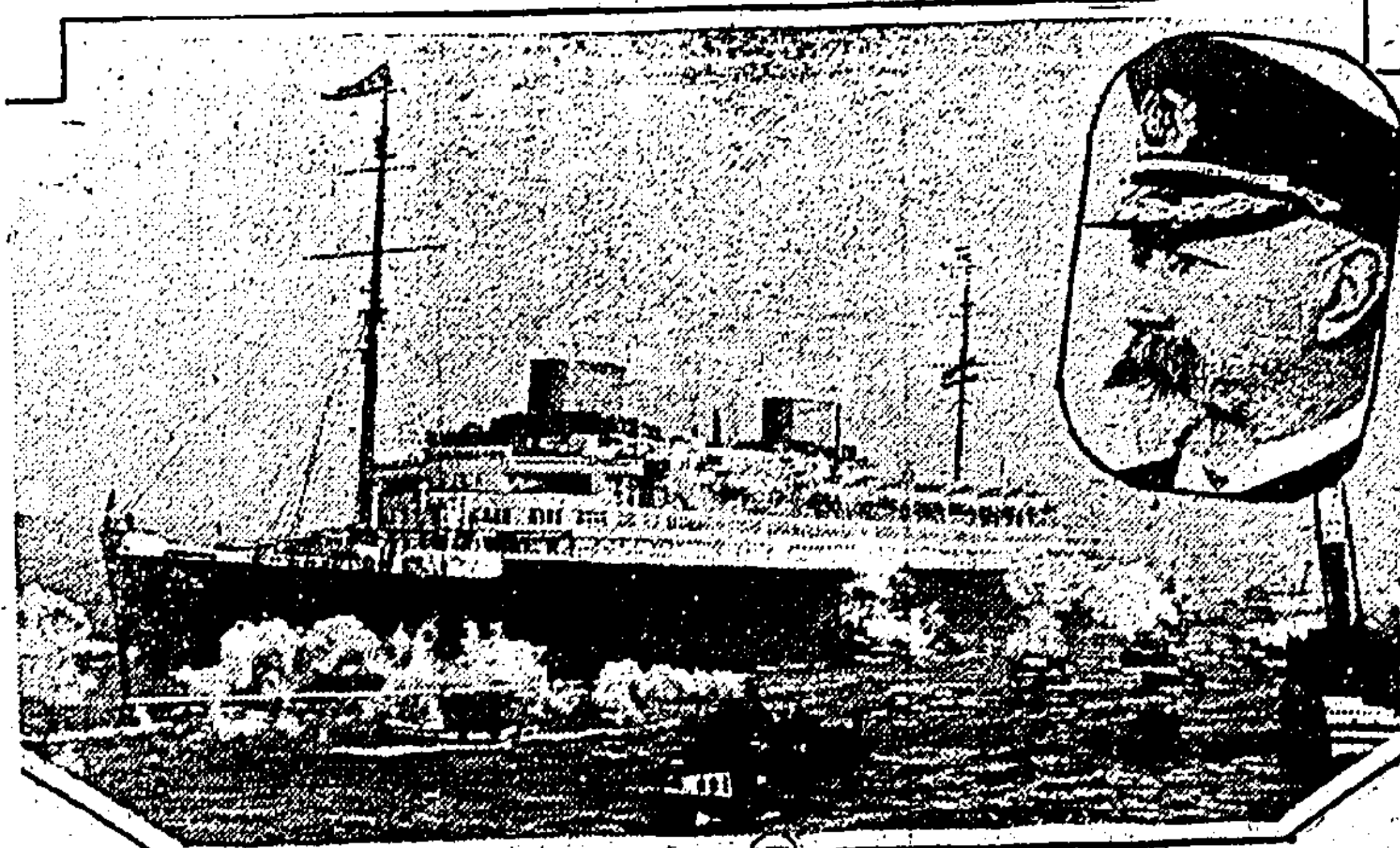
Here are the first pictures of Indian fighters of 1930, in the wilds of northern Mexico, just south of Douglas, Ariz. At the left is Moroni Finn, expedition leader, whose horse was shot from under him, and at the right are three of its members, Juan Vasquez, Castellanos Peralta and Lee M. Finn, son of Moroni Finn. The latter led five cowboy companions who trailed a band of Apache Indian cattle rustlers to their mountain fastness where a battle ensued and five of the Indians were killed.



In one of the most elaborate weddings in Hollywood's history of colorful ceremonies, Helene Costello and Lowell Sherman, film stars, were married, with John Barrymore, brother-in-law of Miss Costello, giving the bride away. Left to right, are; Sherman, Miss Costello and Barrymore.



R. N. Chawla, right, and his assistant pilot, left, won a \$250 prize offered by Aga Khan for the first Indian aviators to traverse the Indian air route within eighteen days.



Another picture of the North German Lloyd liner Europa, which churned through heavy swells and strong headwinds on her maiden voyage across the Atlantic to New York, and yet established a new record. The Europa is captained by Commodore Nicolaus Johnsen, upper right, senior skipper of the North German Lloyd line.

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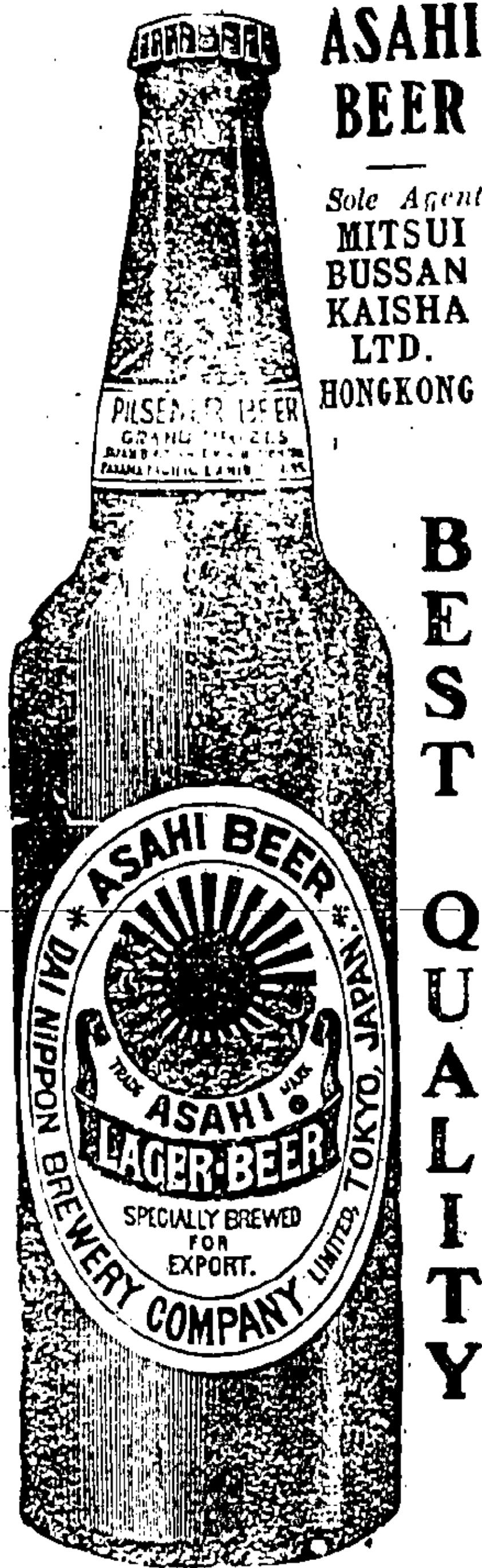
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Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Sixth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 7th June and on Monday, 9th June, 1930 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.
Entries close at 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, 29th May, 1930.

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REMINDER.

Shareholders in the Company are reminded that an Interim Dividend in respect of the financial year ending 30th September, 1930, is payable by the Company on Monday, 12th May, 1930, on and after which date Dividend Warrants may be had on application at the Company's Head Office, St. George's Building, Hongkong.

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General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th May, 1930.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Forty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 16th May 1930, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1929.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 2nd to the 15th May 1930, both days inclusive.

ARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.
General Agents.
Hongkong, 25th April, 1930.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Fifth Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 17th May, 1930 commencing at 2.30 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 2 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5 for Gentlemen and \$2 for Ladies, are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for payment of all debts, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon application to the Secretary badges (limited to two) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends.

Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Race Meeting.

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1 for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted at half price.

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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION to be held on Monday, the 19th day of May, 1930, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in all feet	Area in Acres	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1913	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1212, Union Street, Cheung Sha Wan.	N. 100 feet S. 100 feet E. 100 feet W. 100 feet	40,000	0.92	\$1,350

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East Asia \$114 b.

Insurances.
Canton Ins., \$900 b.
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North China, Ins., Tls. 160 b.
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China Underwriters, \$1.60 b.
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Douglases, \$223 n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$253 b.
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Union Waterboats \$31 b.

Mining.

Benguet, \$6.90 b.
Kailans, 4/3 n.
Langkats, Tls. 13.10 n.
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Kowloon Wharves, \$174 ss.
Whampoa Docks, \$384 b.
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H. K. Electric, \$761 ss.
Macao Electric, \$23 s.
Telephones \$13.75 s.
China Buses, Tls 194 b.
Singapore Traction, 10/- s.

Industrial.

China Sugars, \$1.50 s.
Malabons, \$27 n.
Cald. Macg. Ord. Tls. 10.70 n.
Canton Ices, \$2.50 n.
Cements (Comb.) \$16.30 b.
Ropes \$9.10 b.
United Asbestos \$5 b.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$25.50 s.
Watsons, \$124 b.
Der A. Wings, 80 b.
Lane Crawfords, \$3.50 ss.
Mackintoshs, \$194 b.
Sinceres, \$12 n.

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Amusements, \$294 b.
Constructors, \$1.70 b.
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H.K.G. Loan 8% Prem. Ex. Int.



PINNED IN BLAZING AEROPLANE.

SOLDIERS' DASH INTO FLAMES.

Three soldiers gallantly pulled a dying pilot from a burning aeroplane which crashed in Powell's Orchard, Feltham, Middlesex.

The pilot, Mr. George Edward Watts, of St. Maur, Totnes, Devon, died in the Hounslow Cottage Hospital a little later.

The soldiers who pulled him from the flames were Sergt. Hanlow, Driver J. Hilmyer and Mess-waiter G. Jones, all of the R.A.S.C. depot at Feltham.

Mr. Watts only secured his pilot's license a few days previously, and he hired the machine from the National Flying Services at Hanworth for a practice flight. He is believed to have been returning to Nigeria shortly after spending his leave in England.

Red Hot Framework.

One of the soldiers said: "We could see the pilot pinned under the framework, in flames from head to foot. He cried 'Pull me out, pull me out.'"

"We tried to pull him clear, but were unable to do so. The framework was red hot. After two or three attempts, we managed to lift the tail of the machine and push it aside. Then, with a civilian who reached the scene, we made a quick dash together, and were able to lift him to a distance."

Dive Into Orchard.

A graphic account of the accident was given by Mr. Sidney Smith, of the Staines-road Garage, who watched the machine's fated dive.

"I was standing outside the garage," he said, "when I saw three aeroplanes flying rather low. One was only about 300 feet up. I saw it climb a little bank steeply to the right and then dive to earth."

"The next instant a column of smoke rose and I shouted for my man to help get out the ambulance which I bought and maintain myself."

"We took all the fire extinguishers we could lay hands on and raced off."

"We got the ambulance as near to the spot as we could and found that the plane had crashed in an orchard which was waterlogged and 300 yards from the road."

"We determined to get the car to the spot somehow, and we did, although it sank up to the axles in the mud in some places."

CHICKENS STOLEN.

NOT QUITE A CASE OF HOUSE-BREAKING.

Remarking that it was not quite house-breaking, but that it was chicken house-breaking, Mr. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, sentenced a Chinese to four months' hard labour for stealing twelve chickens from the s.s. Sui Sang at the Kowloon Godowns.

It was stated that the chicken's house had been forced open, the lock being broken. The defendant had a previous conviction for stealing.

Another man who admitted a charge of receiving was remanded for 24 hours for a previous conviction to be proved.

CHOPPER USED IN A QUARREL.

MARRIED WOMAN NOW IN HOSPITAL.

Severe injuries inflicted with a chopper were suffered by a married woman of 116, Tai Nam Street during the course of a quarrel with a man living on the same floor. She received three wounds on her head and another three on the body. When the incident was mentioned before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, a charge of causing grievous bodily harm was brought against the assailant who was remanded for 48 hours for further enquiries. It was stated that the complainant was still in hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations towards the Funds of the St. John Ambulance Brigade:—Kwong Wah Hospital Committee (per Ho Sing Chai, Esq., J.P.) \$50.00; Hon. Mr. Kotewall, C.M.G., L.L.D. \$25.00; Tang Shu Kin, Esq. \$50.00.

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Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Adams May 17.
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Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Kaga Maru May 19.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 28th April)	Pres. Taft May 19.
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Sphinx May 20.
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Japan and Shanghai	Tango Maru May 22.
Japan and Shanghai	Pres. McKinley May 23.
Canada (Vancouver B.C. 8th May), U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Mantua May 23.
	Empress of Russia May 26.

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For	Date and Time
Amoy	Tainan Wed., May 14, 3.30 p.m.
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Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Vancouver, B.C. and *Europe via Siberia	Emp. of Canada Thurs., May 15.
	Parcels May 14, 5 p.m.
	Registration May 16, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters May 15, 5 p.m.
	(Due Vancouver B.C. 30th May)
Amoy	Tibadak Thurs., May 15, 8.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Manado Maru Thurs., May 15, 8.30 a.m.
Straits	Sui Sang Thurs., May 15, 1.30 p.m.
Sapadkan	Mausang Thurs., May 15, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Phenius Thurs., May 15, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea Thurs., May 15, 3 p.m.
Straits	Lycemon Thurs., May 15, 3.30 p.m.
Japan	Panda Thurs., May 15, 5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Zosma Fri., May 16, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining Fri., May 16, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Hakone Maru Fri., May 16.

Registration 4.30 p.m.
Letters 4.30 p.m.
G. P. O.
Registration 5 p.m.
Letters 5 p.m.
(Due Marseilles 15th June)

Amoy Kumsang Fri., May 16, 5 p.m.
Touane Chung Kong Fri., May 16, 5 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta Hosang Sat., May 17.

Parcels noon.
Letters 1 p.m.
Wai Shing Sat., May 17, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy Antung Sat., May 17, 5 p.m.

Manila Pres. Adams Sat., May 17, 5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow Kinsang Sun., May 18, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Ilozan Maru Sun., May 18, 9 a.m.

Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via San Francisco Pres. Jackson Mon., May 19.

Parcels 3 p.m.
Registration 4.15 p.m.
Letters 5 p.m.
(Due San Francisco 11th June)

Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia Pres. Jackson Mon., May 19.

Registration 5 p.m.
Letters 5 p.m.
Manila, *Australia and *New Zealand via Thursday Island Kaga Maru Tues., May 20.

Registration 8.45 a.m.
Letters 9.30 a.m.
(Due Thursday Island 2nd June)

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island Taiping Tues., May 20.

Parcels May 19, 5 p.m.
Registration May 20, 9.45 a.m.
Letters May 20, 10.30 a.m.
(Due Thursday Island 31st May)

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Haiching Tues., May 20, 1 p.m.

Saigon, *Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, *Egypt & *Europe via Marseilles Sphinx Tues., May 20.

Registration 1 p.m.
Letters 1 p.m.
G. P. O.
Registration 1.45 p.m.
Letters 2.30 p.m.
(Due Marseilles 21st June)

Swatow Foo Shing Wed., May 21, 8.30 a.m.
Amoy Tai Yuan Wed., May 21, 3.30 p.m.

Japan Tango Maru Fri., May 23, 9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Haiyang Fri., May 23, 1 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles Mantua Sat., May 24.

Parcels May 23, 4.30 p.m.
Registration May 24, 9 a.m.
Letters May 24, 10 a.m.
G. P. O.
Parcels May 23, 5 p.m.
Registration May 24, 9.45 a.m.
Letters May 24, 10.30 a.m.
(Due Marseilles 20th June)

Shanghai Hakusan Maru Mon., May 26, 10.20 a.m.

Manila Empress of Russia Tues., May 27, 3.30 p.m.

(Correspondence only)

HYMN SUNG IN A WINE VAULT.

DOCKS INNOVATION BY "TUBBY" CLAYTON.

A party of young curates, led by the Rev. "Tubby" Clayton, of Toe H, have just sung "Onward, Christian Soldiers" deep below the ground in the stillness of a London wine-vault, surrounded by barrels of whisky.

"Ancient and Modern 47," he said, "is this the next hymn?" "Hymn," echoed a cooper, their guide. "No, sir, we don't ever have hymns down here."

"No?" said "Tubby." "Well, let's have one now."

"And," relating an official, "he started singing 'Onward, Christian Soldiers' at the top of his voice. 'All the curates joined in, and they went through verse after verse to the end. The din the 21 made in those silent, dimly-lighted vaults, where I don't think anyone has ever sung before, certainly not hymns, was enough to frighten anybody. The guide stood agast, and even the coopers from a long way off dropped their hammers and came to see what it was."

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CINEMA NOTES.

OLD FAVOURITE OF STAGE
AS FILM.

"Madame X", one of the greatest masterpieces of the drama, a favourite of great actors and of the theatre-going public alike, has been translated into a new entertainment medium, the talking film, and in that guise will be seen for the first time in Hong-kong at the Queen's Theatre.

The new picture is a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production and is an all-talking feature.

It was directed by Lionel Barrymore, the famous stage and screen actor, and is his second directorial effort.

Ruth Chatterton, who left the theatre, where she had gained an enviable reputation as a dramatic and a musical comedy star as well, to enter the films at the time the talking picture, made its appearance, plays the title role, a role originally created on the French stage by Sarah Bernhardt.

The remainder of the cast is also a noteworthy unit, composed of many stage and screen celebrities. Lewis Stone plays the husband of the tragic and mysterious woman and Raymond Hackett plays her son, who, as a young attorney at the bar, defends her when she goes on trial for murder, without knowing that she is his mother.

Others in the cast are Holmes Herbert, Richard Cárle, Sidney Toler, Eugenie Besserer, Ullric Haupt, Claud King, Chappell Dossett, John P. Edington and others.

The screen adaptation was written by Willard Mack.

THE SHANGHAI BUS
STRIKE SETTLED.EMPLOYEES ALL RESUMING
WORK TO-DAY.

Shanghai, May 13.
The Bus Company announces that the strike has been settled, and its employees will be resuming work to-morrow morning.—*Reuter.*

Fashion Notes.

LACE TRIMMED LINGERIE

All the great couturiers design the lingerie to be worn under their dresses, though Frenchwomen often prefer their own *lingerie*, who has made everything for their family from generation to generation.

The new *chemise-de-nuit* and *chemises* naturally follow the trend of the mode. Their waistlines rise in imitation of the frock, and the renewed femininity is expressed in a profusion of fine lace.

The new linen-handkerchief linen—is so sheer, and soft, that it can be passed through your wedding ring quite easily.

It makes up into delightful little lingerie etceteras, embroidered with little birds, and encrusted with lace flowers. Touches of colour are (Continued on Next Column.)

Indiscriminate Use of Perfume
Is Offensive. Atomizer In-
dispensable in Boudoir.

The correct perfume to suit one's own personality is one thing—but the indiscriminate use of perfume is another.

Exotic Olive Borden maintains that the latter is an unforgivable offence. Says Miss Borden, who will soon be seen in the first National Vitaphone production, "Wedding Rings":

"Assuming that you have discovered your own particular perfume, the next essential to charm is how to use it. So many women make the mistake of over-using perfume, while others do not use enough.

"The business woman, especially, must be discreet. A drop on the handkerchief, another on the under-wear and one on the hair is all that she should use. If you are remaining in the boudoir and like the effect of a lingering pungency, you can be more daring and put a drop under your eyes, as illustrated, and another drop at the back of your ears.

"If you are going out formally it is particularly important that your perfume suggests the subtle charm that is you. Here, too, the handkerchief, ears, underwear and eye application are all that is needed with the exception of a little more fragrance for the hair, for the formal hour is the time when the hair is most significant. Every woman knows the value of a softly scented head. The atomizer is an indispensable article in the boudoir and is exactly 'the thing' for scenting your hair."

WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.



Picture hats take inspiration for their wide graceful sides from the sloping cape shoulders of the new dressy frocks. This hat of lovely pastel lace, straw has a facing of matching tulle. Its brim reflects the "draped" feeling that is prevalent.

sometimes added by delicate sprays of rose or roses.

Lace trimmed pyjamas, little embroidered mules, and sumptuous negligees, prove that our *garçonne* aberration has not killed the desire to charm, in all feminine hearts.

Most of the lingerie in Paris today seems to spring from the clever hands of the Russians.

Ancient Assyrian designs are used as an inspiration for many of the modernist printed fabrics, in silk and jersey.

Modern jewel craftsmen are going back to ancient times for striking designs for cutting and setting precious stones, particularly in the large, single stone rings so much worn, and in the flat gold coin and bead necklaces that are in vogue.

Waistbelts are having a renewed vogue this season, and modern manufacturers are adapting ancient Egyptian and Roman designs to modernist treatment.

Seeing Faults:

MALICIOUS OR MERELY
CRITICAL?

"There are some whose emotional tone is malicious: they they see so easily the faults and failings of everybody." This is the saying of a "woman doctor" and a libel.

Is a buyer, or better still, a staff manager, who sees easily the faults and failings of each proffered sample or candidate for employment, malicious? No, he or she is an expert, and a competent one at that. They get the goods.

The man or woman who sees easily the faults and failings of everybody may merely be a good judge of human nature. Every one has faults and failings, and the person who cannot see them easily is asking for trouble.

We all know individuals who are for ever making new friends, whom they credit with all sorts of won-

derful qualities, until they find them out and drop them.

A real friend is "one who knows all your faults and still likes you"; not one who formed a flattering opinion of you in the first place and is too obstinate to correct an error.

Acquaintance which begins critically often leads to great esteem.

The Hurry of Modern Life.

In a large city a stranger often creates an impression quickly and succeeds in keeping it, simply because people are too busy to inquire closely. In small places, where they "summer and winter" newcomers before receiving them into the fold, one often finds a surprising regard when friendships do come.

One discovers that people one thought strangers know a tremendous lot about one—and like one all the same. They know all about your faults and failings, and all about your good qualities too.

It is truly astonishing to find how much is known of "local" people, and yet how highly their good qualities are esteemed.

The hurry of modern life often puts a premium on making a good impression. Self-advertisement, like all advertisement, states only the case "for." But many, who appreciate the need for advertising their wares, shrink from advertising their own qualities.

The man or woman who sees faults and failings easily is quick to discount over-assertion or shyness, and free to seek the "so much good in the worst of us."

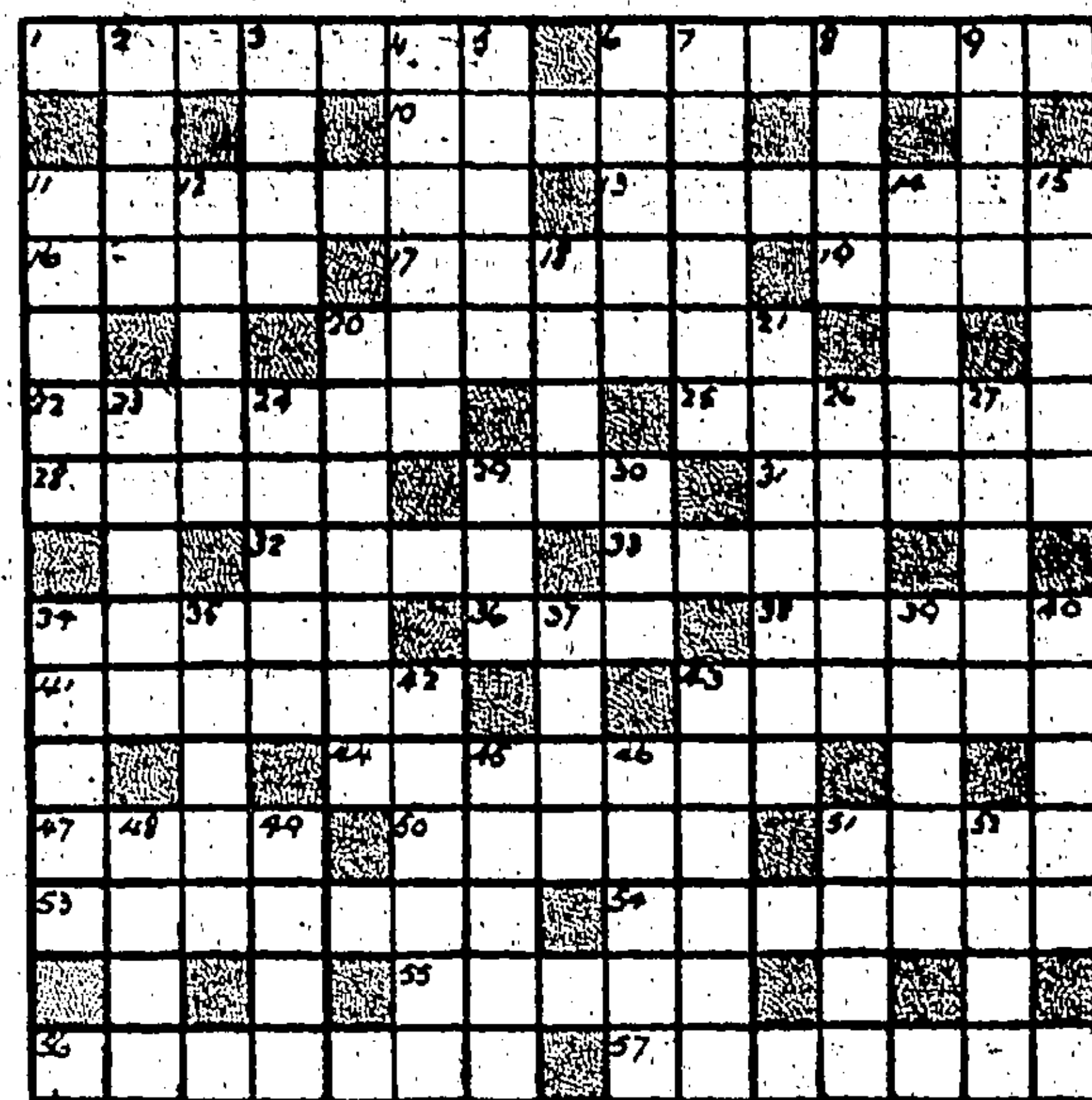
Slowness to see faults and failings may come from stupidity as well as from good nature. Quickness to see them is not malicious; only refusal to see good points would be.

The person who sees easily failings and strong points as well is an excellent judge of human nature.

You can only call him or her malicious on the assumption that human nature is bad.

G.M.W.—In Exchange.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS



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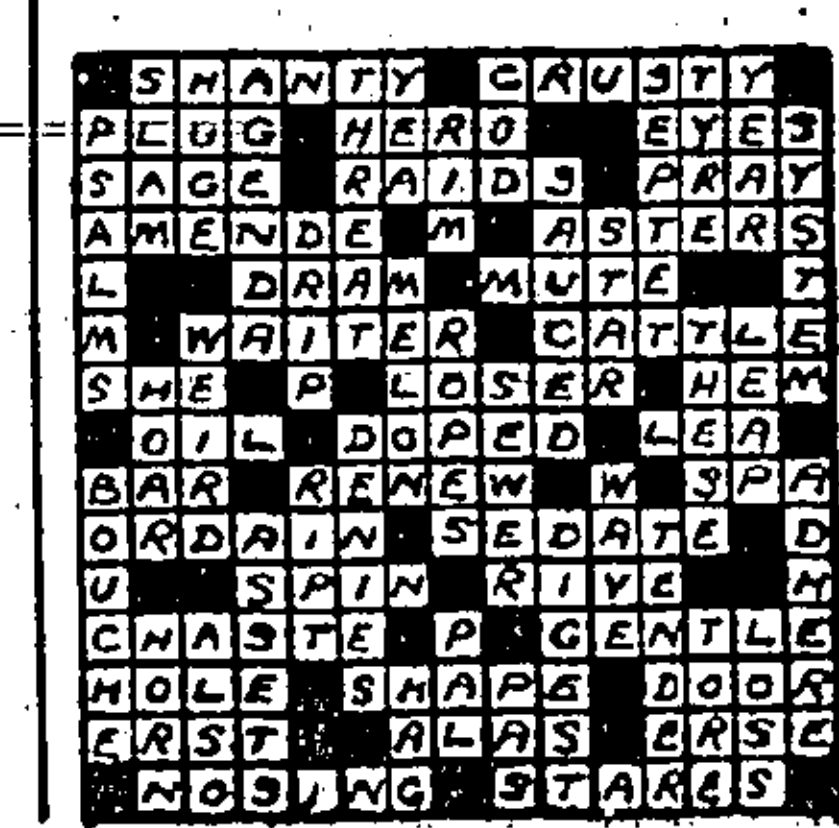
- 1 Geometrical figures.
- 6 School.
- 10 Coloured man.
- 11 Weapon.
- 13 Male fowl.
- 16 Capable.
- 17 Visionary.
- 19 Fish.
- 20 One who attempts.
- 22 Most arid.
- 25 Recline.
- 28 At the seaside.
- 29 That woman.
- 31 Waterway.
- 32 Flout.
- 33 Tory.
- 34 Flat fish (plur.).
- 36 Highest card.
- 38 Steps.
- 41 Relies.
- 43 Manner of holding.
- 44 Penmen.
- 47 Extra seed covering.
- 50 Rioters.
- 51 Part of ship.
- 53 A little.
- 54 Reflex.
- 55 Filament.
- 56 Write out again.
- 57 Clothed.

Down.

- 2 Taunt.
- 3 Semi-circular projection.
- 4 Join.
- 5 Roots.
- 6 Decorate.
- 7 Not so hot.
- 8 Platter.
- 9 Timid.
- 11 Maidens.
- 12 Killed.

- 14 Claw.
- 15 Festivity.
- 18 Every.
- 20 Helps.
- 21 Prescriptions.
- 23 Shaving-implement.
- 24 Extremes.
- 26 Heathen.
- 27 More secure.
- 29 Ocean.
- 30 Female sheep.
- 34 Rise in a vaporous form.
- 36 Shining.
- 37 Cheat.
- 39 Made well.
- 40 Looks far.
- 42 Part of neck.
- 43 One who numbers.
- 45 Relax in intensity.
- 46 Facial hair.
- 48 Wander.
- 49 One who rests.
- 51 Clamours for payment.
- 52 Space destitute of feathers.

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THE SINO-JAPANESE
AGREEMENT.RATIFIED BY LEGISLATIVE
YUAN AT NANKING.

Nanking, May 13.

An extraordinary session of the Legislative Yuan this morning ratified the Sino-Japanese agreement.

Regarding the annexe dealing with domestic and foreign obligations, the Legislative Yuan passed a resolution that the National Government must strictly adhere to the foreign policy of the Kuomintang, and inter alia, that loans contracted by irresponsible governments could not be accepted by the National Government.—*Reuter.*

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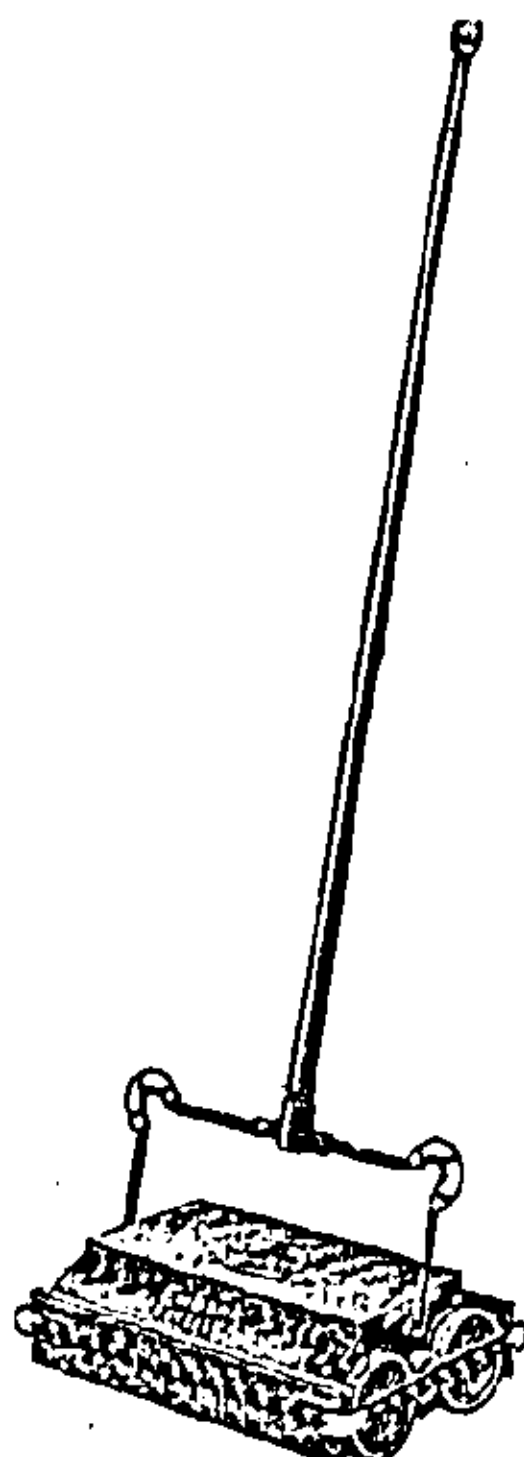
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RIGHT OR LEFT?

In these days of increasing motor traffic, considerable importance attaches to a controversy which is proceeding in England regarding the question as to which side of the road should be used by pedestrians when on the highway. There appears to be very considerable diversity of opinion on the point, if we are to judge by two recent cases in which pedestrians were knocked down by motor-cars. In one instance, a father and son were walking along a country thoroughfare on a rainy night, keeping to the left-hand side of the road, when a car crashed into them, killed the father and seriously injured the son. At the subsequent inquest, the Coroner was emphatic on the point that the pedestrians were on the wrong side of the road, saying they should have been facing the oncoming traffic. In another instance, which took place some time previously, a pedestrian was walking on the left-hand side when he was run into by a motor-cycle proceeding in the same direction. At the Court proceedings, the police superintendent stated that "the public walking on the correct side of the road must have protection, and the motor cyclist should have had sufficient light to avoid knocking the man down."

These two cases show the confusion which prevails on the subject. The trouble appears to arise from the fact that there are at present no specific regulations on the point. The matter is engaging the attention of the National "Safety First" Association, which has always taken the view that it should be viewed from the standpoint of the safest method to be adopted. Accordingly, the following appears in the Association's safety code:—"Where foot-paths are provided, you are less likely to step off thoughtlessly in front of any vehicle if you walk on the left side of the footpath. You will then be facing the line of traffic nearest you. On country roads without footpaths or wide grass margins, it is wise to walk on the right of the roadway, where you will be facing the traffic nearest to you, and less likely to step in front of any vehicle." At the moment, however, there are no rules definitely laid down, but when the Road Traffic Bill becomes law, it is the intention of the Minister of Transport to draw up a code of customs for all users

of the road, as recommended by the Report of the Royal Commission on Transport, which was issued in July last. One of these suggested rules is "Walk on the left side of a footpath or pavement."

In the absence of any definite regulations on the point, it is being suggested that local authorities at Home should issue recommendations for the guidance of the public, so that there might be some uniformity on the subject. At present, the matter is left in a very unsatisfactory state, and much confusion exists both among the users of the roads and the authorities responsible for seeing that pedestrians get adequate protection. As at Home, so here in Hongkong, there appears to be no definite rule, and whilst the rights of pedestrians to the free use of the road cannot be disputed, it might be well if some attempt were made to secure uniformity by the exhibiting of appropriate signs for the guidance of all and sundry.

The Indian Situation.

The Home Government's policy in not only reiterating its views as regards the future of India but in issuing the fullest information with regard to the periodical disturbances is to be warmly commended, for it is highly desirable that the world at large should have a true knowledge of the facts. The circulation to Members of Parliament of a lengthy communique from the Indian Government shows definitely that those in authority have nothing to hide. They are prepared to stand by a policy now well known in the firm conviction that it is the only one to pursue, and yet to take firm steps when these are demanded by the activities of those working for the overthrow of the Government. There can be no doubt now in any part of the world regarding Britain's sincerity in giving Dominion Status to India in the full course of time. In view of Lord Irwin's declaration, reiterated only yesterday, it is difficult to understand why any section of the Indian community allows itself to be swayed by fanatical leaders who quite openly preach sedition. Lord Irwin rightly points out that the constructive work which the Government has in view is only prejudiced and obstructed by disorder and yet it is a seemingly impossible task to convince the followers of Gandhi. The Indian Government's latest report on the situation, however, is distinctly reassuring. That the position has improved is more than adequate testimony to the policy which has been followed, and the people of India will probably one day, with one voice, thank Lord Irwin for bringing the country through the biggest crisis in its history. The thanks will be all the more fervent if the Conference now arranged is brought to a successful conclusion and if it marks the early beginning of a new era in India—an era of peace, tranquility and prosperity. We believe that hope of this is more than justified, despite the occasional outbursts of misguided mobs.

UNLICENSED DRIVER
OF MOTOR CYCLE.OWNER WHO ALLOWED AN
OFFENCE.

A summons against Mr. F. R. Marcel who was accused of allowing an unlicensed driver to ride his machine, was heard before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning. The defendant being fined \$5. It was stated that Mr. G. Danenberg had been riding the motor cycle with the defendant on the carrier.

The defendant admitted the charge. He said that he had met Mr. Danenberg at the Club de Recreio and had negotiated to sell his cycle. He knew that Mr. Danenberg had no licence and had refused to allow him to ride his machine, but his friend had told him that if he went outside the City limits it was not necessary to have a licence.

His Worship pointed out that there was no place in the Colony where a motor cycle could be ridden without a licence. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Currency Problem.

[To The Editor of Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—In view of the various opinions which have been expressed on the silver question, I should be much obliged if you would permit me space to set forth my views.

Silver, as we all know, is cheap because there is an excess of it on the market. Obviously, therefore, if we can create a demand, exchange must improve. Is it not a farce to reduce the \$1 note circulation and allow all other values or denominations to spread all over China in lieu of the genuine dollar, as in the past, when notes are refused and silver only accepted for daily transactions?

I should be interested to see the effect if the Government passed an Ordinance suspending all note circulation for a period of six months. The millions of paper notes in the market would be turned into genuine silver dollar circulation. In the face of such a demand, silver would naturally rise. The Banks with note-issuing privileges need not cry out, for they would hoard silver dollars in advance and bag their profits immediately on its rise. It would well repay them.

The next move would have to be more substantial, remembering always that our main aim would be to improve the rate of exchange, with the eventual object in view of fixing a suitable rate for the conversion of our silver dollars into gold currency. This would involve really united and co-operative action by our Banks and the British and Chinese Governments. Such action, being a single stroke by a strong body of financiers, its very mention would touch the sensitive chords of the venturesome capitalists and operators, and silver would perforce rise. When this rise reaches a satisfactory pitch, our action must be to instantly fix the rate of silver dollar exchange and convert our present currency into gold.

Considering the present very favourable market for gold in China, will European and American bankers despise the opportunity for a very great and profitable operation? They need not even go to the expense of shipping bullion, which would only serve to feed the shipping and insurance companies. It would suffice if there were a real credit deposit in the original seats of the Bank of England and the American Banks. Here all gold and silver for China operation, including Hongkong, would be deposited, and locally we would for the time being only use credit certificates for payment of any big transactions. This would offset the disadvantages of the use of cumbersome silver dollars when compared with the convenience of banknotes. This latter convenience would be transferred to the credit certificates. Of course, some silver would have to be used for ordinary daily personal needs, but the public, who is always the victim, would be only too pleased to carry \$10 to \$20 in silver money (dollars and cents) for their daily needs. The propaganda for greater silver demand and circulation would then be complete.

There is another point that must be watched. The silver in circulation must be the real British coin, as in the past, with strict penalties against speculators who melt the coin for their own profit. Any return from such coins would be for the benefit of the Hongkong Treasury, against the loss on notes duty. All the merchants and banks availing themselves of the use of credit certificates for their transactions can operate their credits by depositing with the banks silver bars, either in England or America, if it would be more costly in Hongkong.

The next step would be for the British and American bankers in their home countries, with their gold, to deliberate with their Governments and co-operate with the Chinese Government for a very great silver loan. When this first move is agreed to confidentially, gold remittances on the most profitable basis would naturally flow into Chinese banks, and Hongkong would be the basis for the creation of a syndicate for this loan. The invasion of gold would obviously show the tendency of the market, and the gold of the parties remitting from abroad, being converted already into silver and cheapening the market for gold and at the same time raising that for silver, would at once give a profit if the interested parties decided on any operation of reconversion.

My point is that China, with a big silver loan, would standardise her currency and convert into gold at a very practical rate. Not to call me a visionary—for I have seen the solution of more difficult problems than this—Hongkong, China and Macao could convert by adopting the Straits rate of 2s. 4d. to the dollar. Here would end all groans and grumbles. We are powerful enough for this if we unite for strength and success. Thinking over the subject as being like the problem of a great battle, I recall the simple advice of

DAY BY DAY.

THOSE WHO DENY FREEDOM TO
OTHERS, DESERVE IT NOT FOR THEM-
SELVES.—Abraham Lincoln.The P. and O. s.s. Nagpore,
from Shanghai, is due here on
Friday at 1 p.m.The Ben Line s.s. Benrinnes,
from Home ports via Straits and
Manila, is due here on the 22nd
instant.H.M.S. Vindictive will arrive in
Hongkong from Woosung on May
23 and will sail for the United
Kingdom on May 27.Mr. E. Ralphs is to distribute
the prizes at the Wah Yan College
sports which are to be held at
Caroline Hill on the 22nd instant.The Naval and Military Y.M.C.A.
acknowledges an anonymous dona-
tion of \$2 given in recognition of
assistance rendered by a British
naval rating.His Excellency the Governor and
Lady Peel are holding a reception
at Government House on June 3
at 9.30 p.m. in honour of His
Majesty the King's Birthday.A fine of \$25 was imposed by Mr.
Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Ma-
gistracy this morning, on the
manager of the London Cafe, in
Nathan Road, for serving meals
after hours.H.M.S. Medway and H.M. Sub-
marines Osiris, Otus, Odin and
Oswald will leave the United King-
dom for service on the China
Station on May 24. They are ex-
pected to arrive at Hongkong on
August 2.Leung Kiu-piu, carpenter of 22,
Star Street, reports that about
6.30 a.m. yesterday, he was alight-
ing from a tramcar in Western
Street, when he discovered that
someone had stolen from his
pocket a purse containing \$5
Singapore money and \$2.84 Hong-
kong currency.The local offices of the Canadian
Pacific have just issued another
edition of their handy little folder,
giving the 1930 Pacific sailings,
and time tables of the Kowloon-
Canton Railway, Hongkong Tram-
ways, Hotel Bus Service, Peak
Tramway, Star Ferry Service and
the Hongkong, Canton and Macao
steamers.Messrs. Benjamin and Potts in-
form us that they have received
a cable from their Shanghai office
to the effect that the Shanghai
Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.
has declared a dividend of 3.25
taels per share on the "old" and
of 2.45 taels per share on the
"new" shares for the half year
ending April 30, 1930.The weekly return of the Medical
Officer of Health contained five
cases of typhoid, three of small-
pox and one of scarlet fever. There
were four deaths from typhoid
and three from small-pox. Deaths
from malaria and tuberculosis—non-
notifiable diseases—numbered 0 and
46 respectively. Yesterday's return
contained three cases of small-pox
and two of typhoid.A series of convictions for
larceny from the person was pro-
duced against a Chinese who was
charged before Mr. Whyte Smith
at the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning with returning from
banishment, having been deported
for a term of ten years in De-
cember last. The defendant was
given eight months' hard labour
and 15 strokes of the birch.Two domestic servants employed
at 11, Cameron Road and 14
Granville Road respectively, were
each fined \$5 by Mr. Whyte Smith
at the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning for depositing household
refuse in the streets. His Wor-
ship remarked that he supposed it
was just because the defendants
were too lazy to do their work
properly that they dumped rubbish
in the streets.News has been received in
Singapore by Messrs. John Little
and Co. from their London office
of the death of the chairman of
the company, Mr. R. Scoular.
Mr. Scoular, who was about 65
years of age, was for many years
head of the company in Singa-
pore. Coming out as long ago as
1891, he retired from the East
in 1917 on becoming chairman,
though he paid further visits in
1919, 1923 and 1926.A great Spanish General to his
King when consulting with him on
the means of victory in a possible
war. It was:—"Three things are
necessary, and then three more:
Gold, gold, and more gold, followed
by soldiers, soldiers and more
soldiers." In our case it is:
"Silver, silver and more silver;
and action, action and more
action."—Yours, etc.,
STABILIST.

The Very Idea!

A lecture on the kilt and its health
value was given in Edinburgh re-
cently under the auspices of the
Edinburgh Branch of the Men's
Dress Reform Party.

Is this, then, the herald of the
kilt for everyday wear? All true
Scotsmen (especially those with
shapely knees) will hope so.

But if the kilt becomes fash-
ionable again, there may be a distinct
element of danger ahead. Think
of the changes that trousers have
undergone in recent years. They
have become longer and baggier.
Soon they will be like two kites.

What is to prevent the kilt going
the same way?

Perhaps we shall read in fashion
notes:—

"The kilt is worn longer this
season. There is a distinct ten-
dency to a side droop, too, and
the apron is not so broad as last
season. Kilt pins are plainer, but
sporrans are fancier than ever."

"If we turn down here, cross the
alley, and then take the path, it
will lead us to the station."

"How do you know all these short
cuts?"

"Oh, we're always having flag
days here."

A Scottish Member of Parliament
once asked Sheridan how he got rid
of his Irish brogue, as he wanted
to avoid his own accent.

"My dear fellow," said Sheridan,
"don't attempt any such thing.
The House listens to you now
because they don't understand you;
but if you become intelligible, they
will be able to take your measure."

Mother, eager to go to the pic-
tures, asked daddy to get little
Doris to sleep while she washed up.

Half-an-hour after a small head
peened round the door, "Mummy,
mummy," it whispered, "I've got
daddy to sleep."

When the minister took his
holidays, one of his parishioners
was thought to be dying. Upon
his return he met the man's wife,
attired in black.

"My dear Mrs. B.," he ex-
claimed, "I'm so sorry. I see your
poor husband is dead."

"If you mean Jimmy," returned
the woman, "he's very much alive
and out at his work this very
minute."

"But you are in mourning, and as
Jim was very ill when I went away,
I naturally concluded that the worst
had happened."

"Well, it is this way," explained
the woman. "He aggravated me so
much that I went into mourning
again for my last man."

CONFIDENCE TRICK
ON GIRL.JEWELLERY SOLD TO HELP
TWO MEN.

Wong Man-ying, of 124, Temple
Street, was the victim of a con-
fidence trick yesterday by which
she lost jewellery to the value of
\$136.

According to a statement made
by her to the Police, she went to
the Empress Hotel yesterday in
company with two men, surnamed
Yip and Yu respectively. They
went to room 117, when Yip told
her that he was an opium dealer,
and that he was about to bring
off a big deal that afternoon, but
was hindered for want of cash.
He suggested that she should lend
her jewellery to be pawned, and he
would return the money for it, with
interest, the same day, immedi-
ately after the deal had been effected.

She believed the man's story and
agreed to pawning her jewellery,
which was valued at \$136. The
men took the money and have not
been seen or heard of again.

WHO WAS—
MOLOCH?

Third among the seven great
powers of Hell, according to
Milton, in his epic "Paradise
Lost" was Moloch, the God of
the Ammonites, less terrible
only than Satan, and
Beelzebub.

To the brazen statue of
Moloch, with its calf's head
the people of Ammon offered
human sacrifices in their tem-
ples of Rabbah and Argib and
Basan, and of all human sacri-
fices these were the most
heinous. Living children were
thrust into the fire and their
slaughtered, bleeding bodies
piled upon the altar of the god.

Therefore, do we call by the
name of Moloch any power
which causes us to sacrifice
to it the dearest things in life.
War is called a Moloch, and
greed, and the other passions
which ravage humanity. Dur-
ing the French Revolution the
guillotine was also so described.

FINE NAVY LEAGUE WORK.

OVERSEAS RELIEF FUND REPORT.

HELP FOR ORPHANS.

Few people probably realise the excellent charitable work done by the Navy League, evidence of which locally has been provided by the opening of the "Sepoy" Disaster Fund. A report just to hand showing the splendid work done by the League's Overseas Relief Fund contains much information which will no doubt be found of interest to our readers.

According to the report, a sum of nearly half a million pounds has been expended by the Navy League Overseas Relief Fund in the period 1916 to 1929 in granting general relief and educational assistance to the orphans and other dependents to those in the Navy and the Merchant Service, who suffered as a result of the Great War.

No words can express the feeling of relief which timely assistance has given in thousands of cases of distress caused by the sudden stoppage of payments made by men who were killed or disabled towards the support of wife, parents or other dependents.

Origin of the Fund.

Shortly after the Battle of Jutland, offers of financial assistance were received by the Navy League from its Overseas Branches. New Zealand was the first to offer and a sum of £20,000 was cabled from there in a few weeks. Natal followed, then South Australia and many others. By the end of the year 1916, a sum of over £122,000 had been subscribed and for some time afterwards large sums continued to be received.

The total amount of the donations contributed to the Fund from 1916 to 1929 was £440,568 14s. Of this sum, branches in China contributed £12,086. These donations, together with interest on the unexpended portion of the Fund, amounted at the end of 1929 to about £539,000.

The accounts have been audited annually by the Accountants to the Navy League and the point may be specially emphasized that the cost of administration for the whole period 1916 to 1929 amounted to only 4.69 per cent.

Committee Principles.

Promptness of action, careful adaptation of the assistance given to meet the needs of individual cases, and personal touch wherever possible, these were some of the principles which were acted upon. Very frequently, advice was needed as much as financial help and in various ways it has been possible to give this advice. In this matter the officers and members of the Local Sub-committees at the three principal Naval Ports—Chatham, Portsmouth and Devonport—have been of the greatest assistance and their work is here most gratefully acknowledged, not only in the personal investigation of cases but also in much sympathetic after-care.

Another principle rigidly acted upon is that any educational assistance given is given through the parent or guardian through whom accounts and school reports are also received. School reports are received and extracts made from them every term. Though school reports are said to be mainly valuable for what they do not say, it has occasionally been necessary to issue a warning when reports have not been satisfactory. In a few cases, but very few—it has been necessary to withdraw grants altogether when reports have been consistently bad.

Typical Cases.

A few cases may be given to illustrate the results of educational assistance. In some of them the whole cost of education and training has been defrayed by this Fund, in others a substantial addition has been made to the help given by other bodies.

Very many have obtained Degrees at Universities (in one recent year two obtained the M.A. Degree, three B.A., three B.Sc., two of these with First Class Honours—one B.D.S., and one the L.R.A.M.), and numbers have obtained teaching posts in Public or Secondary Schools or in Elementary Schools. Others are now at work as kindergarten teachers, domestic science teachers, music teachers and games mistresses. Several are now qualified doctors or dentists or dispensers and pharmacists. One—a girl—is now in training as a veterinary surgeon. Some are serving as Commissioned Officers in the Royal Navy, the Army and the Air Force, others as officers in the Merchant Service. Accountancy, banking and commerce have claimed very large numbers.

Present and Future.

At the end of December, 1929, i.e., on the expiration of the Trust,

DOG BROUGHT FROM CANTON.

FOLLOWS MISTRESS ON TO STEAMER.

Charges of bringing a dog into the Colony without a permit from the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon and of bringing the animal from Hongkong to Kowloon without permission were brought against a Chinese woman who appeared before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The defendant pleaded guilty to both charges. According to Inspector Stimson the defendant's dog was found in Baker Street without a muzzle or licence plate and was taken to the Station. It was later claimed by the accused who admitted that it had been brought down from Canton. The defendant told the Police that the animal had followed her on board the steamer without her knowledge. It was not until the ship had sailed that she saw it.

Inspector Stimson intimated that as the woman had had the dog for ten years it was possible that what she said was correct. The Police were not pressing the charges but pointed out that it was a serious offence to import dogs without a permit.

In reply to his Worship the officer said that they did not know on what ship the woman had travelled or a summons would have been taken out against the master.

His Worship cautioned the defendant who had only arrived on the day the dog was found.

LIFT BOY'S THEFT OF FAN.

FOUR MONTHS FOR LANE, CRAWFORD EMPLOYEE.

The theft of an electric fan from the lounge of Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co., Restaurant, on the first floor of Exchange Buildings, some time between 8 p.m. on May 12th, and 6 a.m. on the 13th, had its sequel in the Police Court this morning, when Chan Wing, a lift boy employed by the firm, appeared before Mr. Grantham, charged with stealing the fan.

He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

Sgt. Johnson stated that the theft was reported to the authorities by Mr. D. M. Goodall, the manager of the restaurant, who said that the person must have entered the lounge by way of a window on the first floor. The fan was valued at \$30. Subsequently the police conducted enquiries with the result that defendant was arrested and charged. The fan was later recovered.

It is estimated that the amount of the Fund still remaining will be about £28,000 (which is about one year's normal expenditure) and of this £11,600 has been already definitely allocated to cases. It may be urged that this large residue is due to bad management. On the contrary precisely the reverse is the case. It is the result of careful foresight and skilful calculation. Certain grants have been reduced and no new cases have been accepted in the last three years, in order that assistance might continue to be available for those who had begun but had not completed their training. To withdraw help from these would be disastrous. In all over 12,000 cases have been investigated, and of the 3,226 individuals who have received educational assistance, 610 are still being helped, and though this number will rapidly decrease, some will not have completed their educational course for five or six years from December 31st, 1929.

Conclusion.

The activities of the Navy League Overseas Relief Fund have begun to diminish, but they will not finally come to an end until the year 1935 or 1936, when it is anticipated that the funds will be exhausted and all its present beneficiaries will have completed their educational course. Many thousands of the dependents of those who gave their lives for us or were disabled in the War, have had their burdens lightened, and very large numbers of orphans have been able to receive an education which, but for this Fund, would have been beyond their reach. Though the funds at the disposal of the Committee have been large the need has been still greater, and during the last three years applications for assistance have been received which could not be entertained as the funds in hand had already been allocated. The Committee will therefore be glad to receive any further donations which may be entrusted to it for the benefit of these cases.

In presenting this Report, the Committee desire to give expression to their satisfaction at having been permitted to share in such a gratifying piece of constructive work and their heartfelt thanks to their brothers and sisters overseas whose generous gifts have made such work possible.

FOKI AND FORGED CHOP.

MAGISTRATE PUZZLED OVER CHARGE BROUGHT.

ATTEMPT AT FRAUD.

The motive lying behind a forged chop and the reason for the Public Prosecutor abandoning a major charge for a minor one, occupied the attention of Mr. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, when Man On, aged 29, unemployed, of 104 Reclamation Street, appeared before him on a charge of possession of a forged chop.

The chop purported to be that of the Nam Cheung-kee shop of 5, Tai Wan Street, Vanchai, where defendant was at one time a foki. The defendant pleaded guilty, and his Worship asked him why he had possession of the chop. Accused replied, after some hesitation, that it was in order for him to obtain goods.

Mr. Lindsell:—Oh, I see. You are quite frank about it.

Sgt. Ritchie said that the defendant was formerly employed at the Man Cheung-kee shop, but three months ago was dismissed. On the 6th of this month he met a lime kiln dealer in Namtau, to whom he represented himself as an agent of the Man Cheung-kee firm.

They came to an agreement whereby the defendant was to supply 30 tons of coal in return for five tons of lime and a cash adjustment.

On the 10th they both came down to Hongkong, and stayed in Yau-mati. The next morning the defendant went to a letter writer, and he wrote a letter, purporting to be an order from the Man Cheung-kee firm in Yau-mati, for 30 tons of coal. He next went to an engraver and ordered a chop, purporting to be that of the Man Cheung-kee shop, and used it as their chop on the back of this order.

He then went to the lime dealer and gave him this order and asked for the delivery of the lime before the delivery of the coal. The dealer agreed and they parted. The dealer then went over to Hongkong where he met a friend and told him of the deal. The friend looked at the order and his suspicions were aroused. He advised the dealer to go and see the Man Cheung-kee firm, as to the genuineness of the order.

Attempt to Defraud.

Mr. Lindsell:—Why did you not charge him with uttering a forged document?

Sgt. Ritchie:—I was instructed on this charge by the Public Prosecutor.

Mr. Lindsell:—But you have better evidence of uttering a forged document. I don't know why you abandoned the major charge for a minor one. On what grounds did the Public Prosecutor refuse to apply this major charge? Is there anything known about him? I can't see how I can give him more than three months on this charge, but I could give him six months on the other.

Sgt. Ritchie said that he thought the chief difficulty was to ascertain what the defendant really wanted to obtain by the chop.

Mr. Lindsell said he could not understand why they had not alleged attempt to defraud. Obviously from what had been told him, they had ample evidence of the attempted defraud of the lime dealer in Namtau, and the document was issued in the Colony.

He imposed a sentence of three months' imprisonment.

FIERCE BATTLES RAGING.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Nationalists also claim the seizure of 5,000 small arms and six field guns.

There are conflicting reports concerning the movements of the Nationalist Generalissimo, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, who has been reported both at Tangshan near Kweichow and Panglow along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway. An independent report says that Marshal Chiang was seen directing the Nationalist offensive against Kweichow at Tangshan yesterday.

The Military Governor of Shantung, General Chan Tiao-yuan, has telegraphed from Tsinanfu to Nanking requesting the Higher Military Command to remit him two million dollars for military expenditure in view of the imminent Kuomintang attacks against Shantung.

Communications Cut.

An official communiqué states that General Yuan Tiao-chang, commander of the 55th Shantung Division, has declared against Marshal Chiang Kai-shek. His troops have gained contact with those of General Shih Yu-san.

General Yuan has cut the communications between the regular Nanking troops and the troops of General Chan Tiao-yuan on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, whilst General Shih is marching towards Taining and Hsuehchow.

General Sun Tien-ying is exerting continued pressure near Namutsi.—*Reuter.*

Chaos at Kweichow.

Nanking, May 13.

The Central Daily News, the National Government's official organ, states that the Left Wing of the Government's forces has broken through the rebel lines in North Anhwei and is advancing toward Honan. The message adds that the Tenth Army Corps under General Yang Sheng-chi, captured Pochow, in North Anhwei, on Sunday afternoon. General Yang Sheng-chi's troops, the message continues, are now bombarding Luyi, in South East Honan, which is expected to capitulate at any moment.

According to reports from Shantung, a division of Shansi cavalry, under General Li Sheng-hsi, attacked the Government line in North Shantung but were repulsed with heavy losses.—*Reuter.*

THE DAVIS CUP.

GREAT BRITAIN GOES INTO THIRD ROUND.

London, May 13.

Britain goes into the third round of the Davis Cup (European Zone) by defeating Poland in the second round. Results of the latest matches are as follows:

Lee (Britain) beat Stolarow (Poland) 6-4, 6-2, 8-6. Sharpe (Britain) beat Tloczynski (Poland) 6-2, 6-1, 6-1. Sharpe beat Stolarow 6-3, 6-4, 6-1.

Gregory and Collins (Britain) beat Tloczynski and Warminski (Poland) not losing a single game in the three sets.—*Reuter.*

FINE WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that an anticyclone is central over N.E. Japan. A trough of low pressure extends from Indo-China to the east of Luzon. The typhoon appears to be filling up to the south of Naha. The local forecast is:—N.E. winds, moderate; fine; cloudy.

NEW SCHOOL TO BE BUILT.

VOTES FOR SUPPLEMENTARY EXPENDITURE.

MANY SMALL ITEMS.

Votes for supplementary expenditure totalling \$53,870 will be submitted to a meeting of the Finance Committee to-morrow afternoon.

The votes include an item of \$8,520 under the head of personal emoluments, it being explained that the former Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, has been granted three months and 22 days full pay leave prior to his retirement on August 1 this year. Consequent upon the appointment of Sir Joseph Kemp as Chief Justice and Mr. C. G. Alabaster as Attorney General it is necessary to provide for acting pay. The vote covers the period up to Sir Henry Gollan's retirement and one month in addition.

A sum of \$1,905 is required in connexion with the geographical survey and the visit of Brig. General H. St. J. L. Winterbotham. The Finance Committee has already approved the provision of necessary funds (\$320 estimated) when required. The expenditure incurred to date is \$1,905 and a vote for this sum is requested. A further application will be submitted when the accounts for the complete tour have been made up in London and the actual balance due from Hongkong is known.

To complete the work at Cape D'Agular wireless station a sum of \$4,940 is required.

New Vernacular School.

There is also a vote of \$30,000 for the proposed vernacular school at Au Tau. Owing to rented premises at Au Long becoming structurally unsafe, it has become necessary for the Government to build its own school on a site adjacent to the village.

A total sum of \$45,750 will provide for a school suitable for local requirements with accommodation for 150 pupils and inclusive of school premises, preparation of site, playground fencing, approach road and furniture. It is estimated that if the work is put in hand about the end of May a sum of \$30,000 can be utilised this year.

The fall in the exchange is responsible for a vote of \$328 for contribution to the cost of Advisory Committee of Education in the Colonies, while uniforms for four new coolies at the Bacteriological Institute, rendered necessary by the increased work there, accounts for a sum of \$150.

A sum of \$1,500 is required to provide tools for the use of prison labour in the preliminary work at Lai Chi Kok prison which has been selected by the Committee appointed as a suitable for a female prison.

Damaged goods for King's College had to be replaced and a vote for \$293 is requested. It is explained that the Crown's Agents are taking steps to obtain satisfaction from the contractors in England who have so far denied responsibility for the damage.

MURDEROUS ATTACK SEQUEL.

FOKI COMMITTED TO TRIAL AT SESSIONS.

Chung Wing, a foki of the Chinese branch of the China Navigation Company, 3 Des Voeux Road West, who appeared before Mr. Lindsell again this morning, facing charges of (a) robbing a safe of \$9,833 and at the same time committing a murderous attack on Wong Lai-woo, at the China Navigation Company's Chinese branch office on April 21st, and (b) of causing grievous bodily harm to Wong Lai-woo, was committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions.

Further evidence as to the defendant being seen running up to the second floor immediately after the outrage had been discovered, was given, and Inspector Shannon said he found scaffolding leading from the Connaught Road side of the building, to the second floor.

When charged at the Central Police Station, accused replied:—"I have nothing to say." He also desired to make no statement in the Police Court.

PEGU EARTHQUAKE.

BETWEEN 800 AND 1,000 DEATHS.

Rangoon, May 13.

The Governor, Sir Charles Innes, opening a relief fund in connexion with the earthquake disaster last week, said the official deathroll at Pegu was between eight hundred and one thousand.—*Reuter.*

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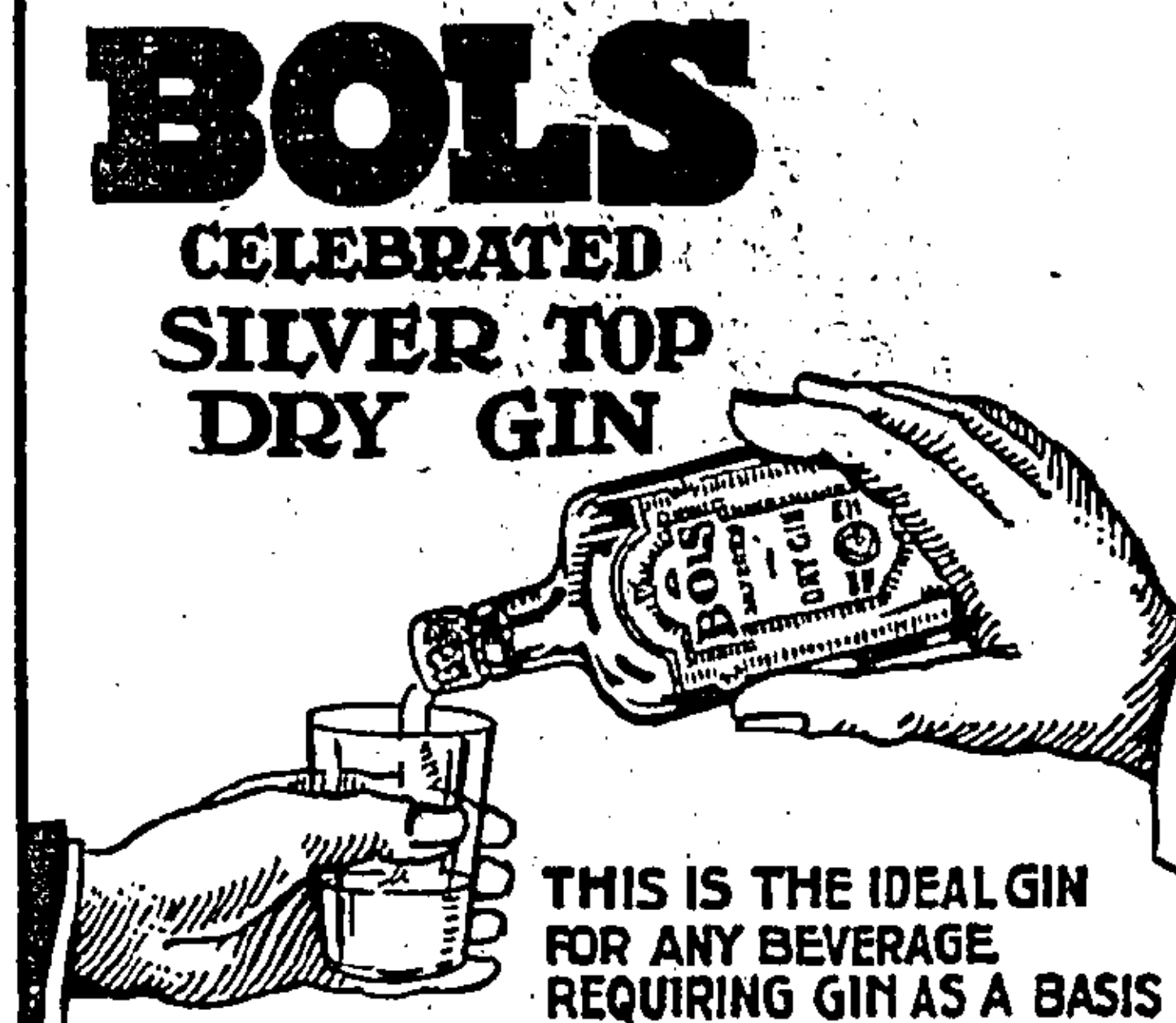
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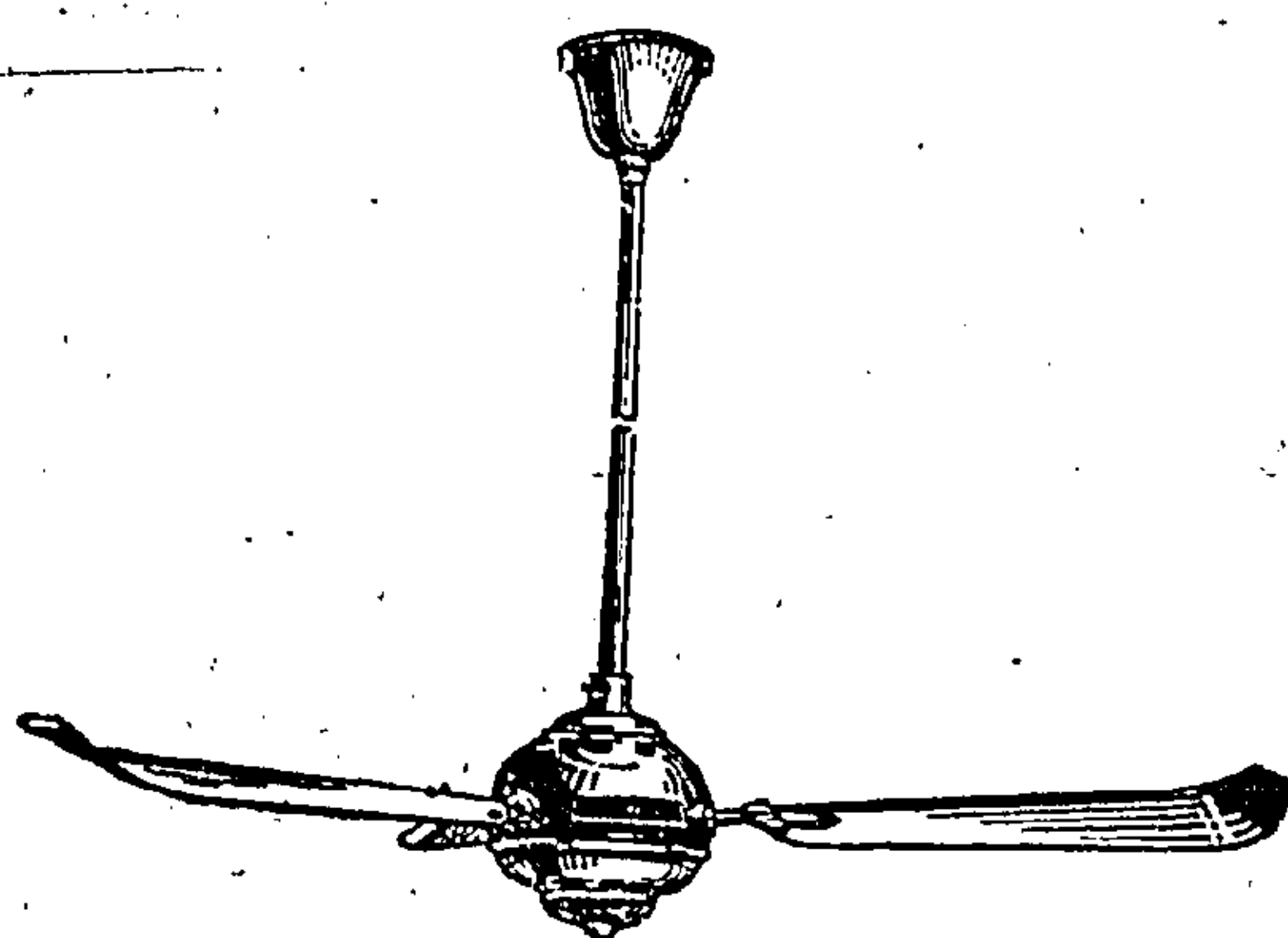
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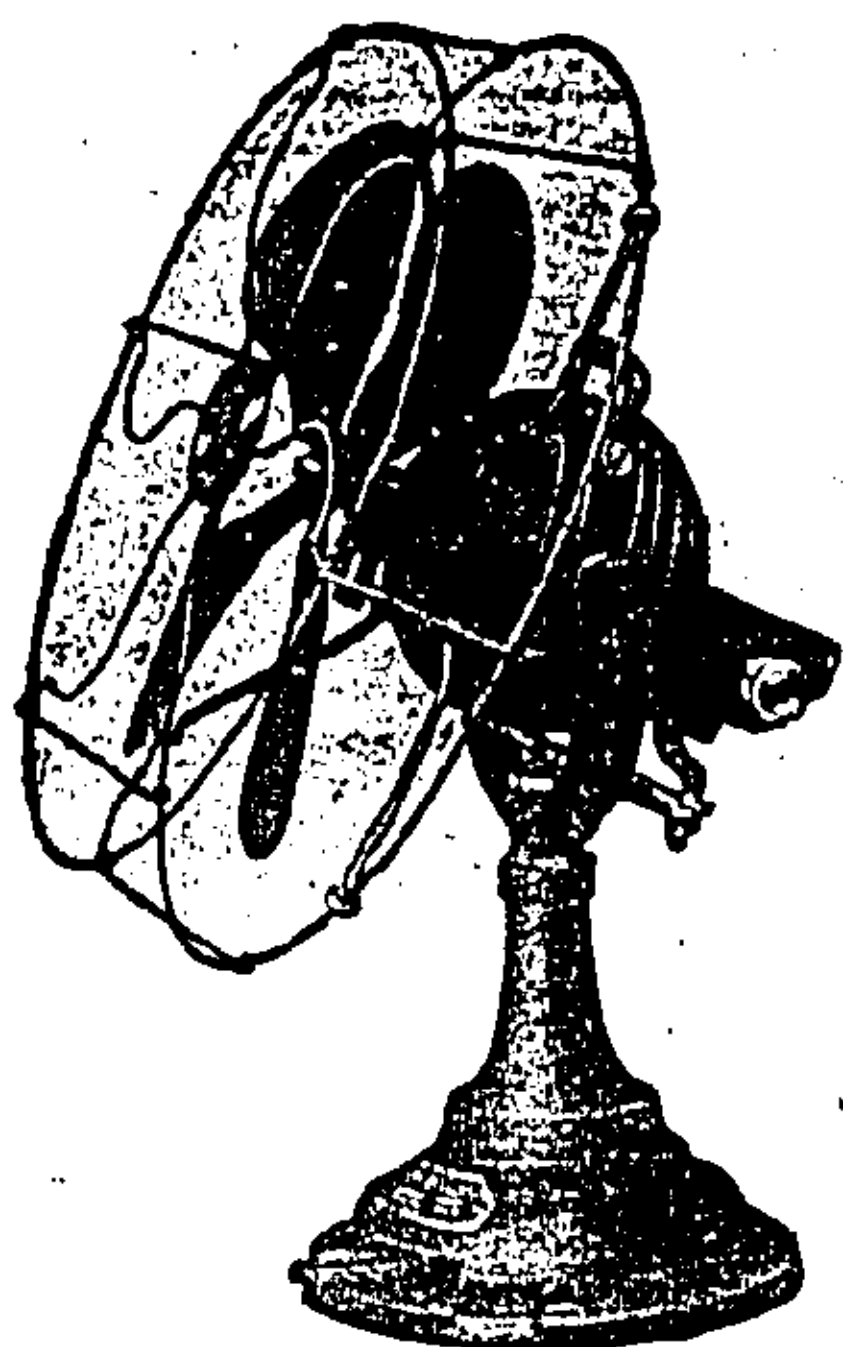
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LOCAL FOOTBALL AFFAIRS.

LARGE SUM COLLECTED IN "SEPOY" CHARITY GAME.

A meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council was held in the Association offices, French Bank Building, yesterday afternoon, with Mr. R. Ormiston in the chair. Others present were Mr. W. E. Hollands (Hon. Sec.), Mr. G. T. May (Hon. Treas.), Mr. R. M. Dyer, Commr. Byron and Messrs. T. G. Stokes, F. Smith and McTavish.

Among the letters read to the meeting was one from Rear Admiral R. A. S. Hill, C.B.E., expressing thanks to the Hongkong Football Association for their organisation of the football game in aid of the "Sepoy" Fund. Rear Admiral Hill, in his letter, assured the Association that their services for the relief of the relatives of the men who lost their lives in the tragedy on the Sepoy were very much appreciated.

Asked to present his statement of accounts for the match in aid of the "Sepoy" Fund, the Hon. Treasurer said the gross gate receipts amounted to \$1,942.10, donations to \$165, and the sum collected by Mr. W. E. Hollands from raffles and advance bookings to \$801.10, making a total of \$2,908.20.

The Chairman expressed his gratification at the response shown by the public, and informed the meeting that a cheque for this sum would be sent to Mr. W. A. Dowley, the Hon. Secretary of the local branch of the Navy League, to-day.

Charity Allocation.

The sum available for distribution from the Sunday Herald competition was \$4,270, which compared with \$3,066.70 last year. The suggested allocation, which represents an increase in every case, was passed at yesterday's meeting. The full list is as follows: Protestant Orphanage, \$250; Protestant Almshouses, \$250; Missions to Seamen, \$550; St. Vincent de Paul, \$300; Little Sisters of the Poor, \$300; Chap Shing Hospital, \$500; Blind Home, \$300; Alice Memorial Hospital, \$800; Hongkong Benevolent Society, \$500; St. Dunstan's Home, \$250; Chinese Leger Mission, \$250.

The following members of the Council were appointed to revise the rules for the next season: Messrs. F. Smith, R. K. Duncan, T. G. Stokes and G. T. May, with Mr. W. E. Hollands as Secretary of this Sub-committee.

Mr. Dyer proposed, and Mr. McTavish seconded, that the annual general meeting of the Hongkong Football Association be held on June 30. This was passed unanimously.

LAWN BOWLS OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

SEVENTY PLAYERS ENTERED THIS YEAR.

The draw for the lawn bowls open championship was made last night. There were seventy entries, and the draw resulted as under:

Byes.
A. Stalker v N. Drummond.
J. Carr v H. Nish.
A. O. Brown v A. M. Holland.
J. V. Ramsay v L. Whant.
A. C. Burford v B. W. Bradbury.
G. E. Roylance v W. Wotherspoon.
A. L. Shields v D. Muir.
J. O. McLaggan v J. Massey.
H. A. Alves v A. H. Basto.
J. Gregory v J. Laing.
C. J. Tacht v W. H. Muskett.
F. L. Rapley v T. G. Grimes.
W. Ward v R. Marks.
J. Ferguson v A. F. Paul.
H. H. Rose v Winner of Cullen v Bass.

Preliminary Round.
F. Cullen v R. Bass.
J. C. West v H. G. Cooper.
P. A. Yvanovitch v A. E. Coates.
T. Armstrong v A. Chapman.
A. Hyde-Lay v V. Chittenden.
D. Walsley v H. Gittins.

Byes.
A. Silkstone v winner of Walsley v Gittins.
U. M. Omar v J. T. Dobbie.
P. T. Farrell v R. Lapsley.
E. W. Simmonds v C. Atkinson.
L. G. Gutierrez v E. Alderman.
C. Silva v G. Harreaves.
F. C. Goodman v G. Henderson.
E. el Arculli v B. E. Maughan.
A. T. Hamilton v E. W. L. Hogbin.
W. Collins v H. Overy.
A. W. Grimmit v J. H. Johnston.
R. F. Luz v D. Gow.
G. C. Moss v A. Tarbuck.
A. H. Oswick v E. L. Holland.
C. E. Marques v A. Macfarlane.

LEAGUE TENNIS.

UNIVERSITY TEAMS FOR TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

The following will represent the University "B" and "C" Teams in the League matches against the Civil Service Cricket Club and the Hongkong Cricket Club respectively to-day at 4 p.m.

"B" Team (Home)—F. Y. Khoo (Capt.), L. Forster, D. K. Samy, G. de Souza, G. E. Yeh, T. K. Lien.
"C" Team (Away)—Y. F. Chew (Capt.), H. N. Chung, P. P. Kho, L. de Silva, Y. K. Ng, L. Oppenheim.

Teams to Represent K.C.C.
The following have been selected to represent the K.C.C. in their League fixtures to-day:

"B" Division.
Versus E.U. Y.M.C.A., at K.C.C. Ground at 5.15 p.m., L. Jack (Capt.) and R. B. Hamblly, F. Grose, and J. MacIntosh, Wm. Gittins and A. T. Lee.

"C" Division.
Versus B.C.A.A., at King's Park, at 5.15 p.m., W. Brown (Capt.) and G. C. Burnett, N. A. E. Mackay and G. Lee, R. B. Jackson and F. J. Chubb.

LOCAL INSURANCE MEETING.

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collection. Excluding these two favourable factors, the amount written off the Life Establishment Account would have been \$57,931 and even this figure would have shown a satisfactory comparison with the corresponding figures of \$15,278 and \$26,642 written off in the two previous years.

Exchange Effects.

If exchange were to go up, part of the Life Assurance Fund would disappear, but the exchange fluctuation account in the balance sheet is sufficient to allow for any likely exchange fluctuation upwards in the near future and if the exchange goes down, the results would be still more favourable.

New business has been maintained in our Southern Agencies in spite of depressed business conditions in Ceylon, the Straits, the Dutch East Indies and Burma owing to low prices of tin, copra, rubber, etc.

The Life Assurance Fund requires to be built up to cover the actuarial liability under the policies, but the fact that we have entirely written off our Establishment Account, which in 1925 stood at \$152,649, and set up

OBITUARY.



The late Dr. Nansen, famous explorer, whose death is reported to-day.

A Life Assurance Fund of over \$100,000, is a sufficient indication that this Department is making sound progress.

The satisfactory collection of renewals and the favourable claim rate show that we have good class business on our books.

Marine Dept. Losses.

The net premiums in the Marine Department amounted to \$236,404 as compared with \$169,890 in 1928. While the section of the business which represents our own underwriting has shown a profit, the business which is reinsured with us under Treaties reflects the unsatisfactory experience of the London market and after setting up reserves on the increase, a loss of \$16,284 is shown. Steps will be taken to discontinue business from unprofitable sources.

Net premiums in the Fire Insurance Department at \$116,282 show a considerable increase over the figure of \$79,468 in 1928, but the claim rate has been heavy, so that after setting up increased reserves for unexpired risks a sum of \$20,509 is transferred to the debit of Profit and Loss Account. The section of the business which has resulted in this loss was discontinued in the latter part of last year.

While the net premiums in the Accident Insurance Department have been about the same as last year, we have been able to increase the reserve for unexpired risks from \$10,591 to \$14,913, nothing having been transferred to or from Profit and Loss Account.

Increased Debit.

The Profit and Loss Account shows a debit balance of \$80,284 against \$37,463 last year. This increased debit is to the extent of \$16,000 due to the different exchange at which the debit at 31st December, 1928, has been brought forward; otherwise it results from the debit balances after setting up reserves in the Fire and Marine Departments.

It will be seen that the Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account has been increased from \$34,225 to \$78,189. On the whole, while the Life Department has shown a quite satisfactory progress and the Accident Department reserves have been strengthened, the Fire and Marine Departments, which are becoming subsidiary to the Life Business, still give some cause for anxiety. We hope to be

MARTIAL LAW AT SHOLAPUR.

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tary assumed charge of Sholapur city, machine-guns and pickets being posted at strategic points, where barricades were erected holding up traffic.

The city has a deserted aspect, all the shops being closed, and thus the attempt by leaders of the populace to put swaraj into practice was short-lived. Lawlessness has practically disappeared.

Several "Congress policemen," in accordance with yesterday's decision of the leaders to administer the city, appeared at a picket post commanded by a detachment of the Ulster Rifles and started directing traffic. They were promptly arrested.

Another detachment of Ulstermen hauled down a national flag flying at the cross roads, where Moslem policemen were incinerated on May 8, and hoisted, instead, improvised colours consisting of the regimental crest charcoaled on a piece of canvas.

Not a single Gandhi cap has been seen in the streets since the military occupation.

The new District Superintendent has proceeded to round-up the ringleaders of the recent riots.—*Reuter.*

SHANGHAI ELEVEN SELECTED.

INTERPORT TEAM TO MEET HONGKONG.

Shanghai, May 13.
The Shanghai interport cricket eleven was selected this evening as follows:

Leach (Captain).
O'Hara.
Simpson.
Divecha.
Barnes.
Isaacs.
Barson.
Madan.
Marshall.
Stokes.
Rogerson.
Reserves.—Quick, Findley.—*Reuter.*

HAPPY VALLEY GOLF.

F. E. BOOKER QUALIFIES IN ADAMSON CUP.

In the Adamson Cup Competition, played at Happy Valley from May 3rd to May 13th, F. E. Booker qualified with a score of 67 (78-11). Other scores were as under:

A. J. W. Dorling	88-14-74
A. E. Charman	90-14-78
C. Wallace	86-10-76
W. H. Edmunds	88-12-78
E. Moore	91-13-78
G. McLeod	97-18-79

A start will probably be made this year with the long-projected task of widening the River Lea in the neighbourhood of Stratford, E., with the object of putting an end to the floods which are an annual nuisance to the district.

able to effect an improvement in these accounts by the steps which have been taken to eliminate the sources from which unsatisfactory business has been received.

Share Capital Call.

In February last, a call of \$1 per share was made on the Company's share capital, making a total of \$4 per share paid up out of the nominal amount of \$10. The call was made as your Directors felt that the present paid up capital is rather small in view of the expansion of the Company's business and the proceeds of the call will be held in reserve. Any further likely development of the Company can be met out of income.

In conclusion, I should like to place on record our appreciation of the loyal co-operation of the Branch Managers, Secretaries, Agents and Staff in our various branches.

I have now the pleasure to propose the adoption of the report and accounts of the Company for the year ending 31st December, 1929, as presented and when that has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions that shareholders may wish to ask.

Mr. G. Hall Brutton seconded the adoption of the report, the resolution being carried without discussion.

General Business.

Mr. J. J. Basto proposed, and Mr. Chan Lai-pan seconded, the re-election of Messrs C. P. Marcel and Tsang Foo to the Board of Directors, this being carried, and on the propositions of Mr. A. L. Shields seconded by Mr. Alan Keith, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, were re-elected as auditors of the Company.

This concluded the business. Mr. Robert G. Shewan presided, and others present were: Messrs. Allan Cameron, C. A. De Roza, A. R. Botelho, L. Tse-fong, and Mok Ching-kong (Directors), G. Hall Brutton, J. J. Basto, Alan Keith, A. L. Shields and Chan Lai-pan (shareholders).



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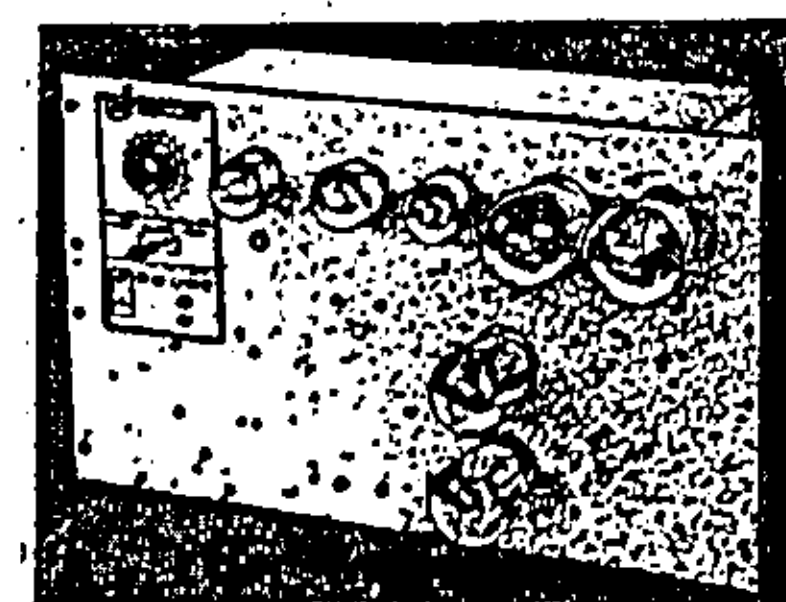
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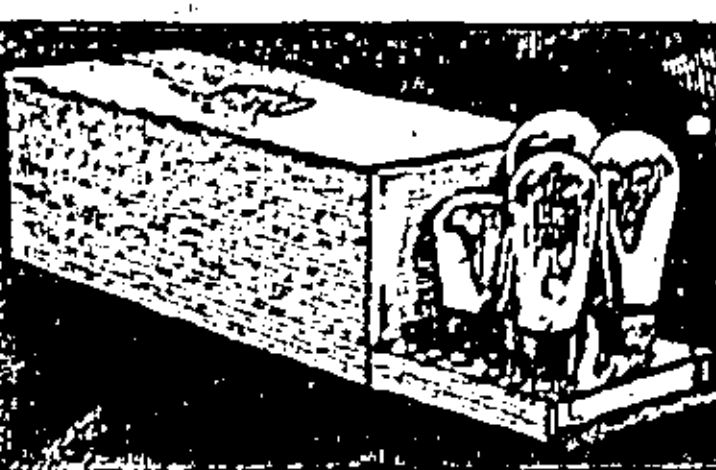
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CHAPTER XLIII.

"Phyllis Benham?" the prisoner echoed blankly. "I've never known a girl named Phyllis Benham."

"Phyllis Crosby?" Dundee suggested.

"Never heard of her," Conway retorted. "Kin to that guy I was hired to work for?"

"His dead wife. You stole her miniature," Dundee replied quietly.

"I took everything that was in a jewel box, without bothering to open some of the cases," the prisoner explained frankly.

"Doris Matthews told one of the maids that she had seen you somewhere before," Dundee told him, trying a new tack.

"Yes. In the dining room of the Stuart House Thursday night," Conway answered promptly. "She was having dinner with a man. I met him Friday night at the servants' dinner. Arnold, the chauffeur, he was. He didn't see me Thursday night, because his back was toward me, but I nearly got the girl's coat staring at her. She was a peach. Of course I had my glasses and my hair was parted in the middle, not on the left side as it was Friday night. But I saw it had her bothered—where she'd seen me before."

"And you weren't taking any chances, were you, Conway?" Strawn put in savagely. "You knew the girl might remember and give you away. That's why you killed her! Didn't I tell you so yesterday, Dundee?"

"I didn't kill her!" Conway retorted, with amazing calm. "And I can prove it!"

"Alibi, eh?" Strawn sneered. "I'll take some alibi to get your neck out of this mess, my man!"

"And I've got it," Conway assured him coolly. "Don't you think I know from the papers when she was last seen alive? Listen: I finished my job at the Berkeley house before 10 o'clock. I could have stowed the junk in my pockets, but I took that black pigskin bag of Crosby's just to throw dust in your eyes."

"What did you do with it?"

"I checked it on my way to the interurban stop," Conway grinned. "If you can find out who owns a big coupe parked at the curb in front of No. 4318 Fairview Road Friday night and will tell him to lift up the back seat, he'll find the bag, unless he's found it already and has been afraid to turn it in. It's got Crosby's tennis shoes in it, as well as the velvet boxes that all the loot was kept in."

"Check on it, Sergeant Turner!" Strawn lunged at his subordinate and Turner left the office on the run.

"That was about 10.15," Conway continued coolly. "By that time I'd put on my own shoes, which I'd carried out in the bag, buttoned up my topcoat to the collar, put on my glasses and parted my hair in the middle, like I always wear it. I strolled on to the shed where passengers wait for the interurban and in about six minutes a car came along, just as I knew it would, because I've been catching the interurban at that stop off and on for six months and I know the schedule."

"So you've been planning the haul that long, eh?" Strawn growled.

"No. This was a jumped-up affair. But I've got a girl friend that lives not a million miles from the Berkeley house. I take her home in a taxi, but I hop the interurban back to town."

"What's her name?"

"I'm not telling that," Conway retorted, and meant it. "But the conductor and motorman who were on last night have seen me often enough the last six months to feel pretty well acquainted. Friday night, on the 10.22, there was only a handful of passengers and I stood up front, talking to the old boy who runs the car. Motorman No. 106," he supplied obligingly.

"Got it all down pat, haven't you?" Strawn commented sourly.

"Yes," Conway agreed. "He told me Friday night he had a fallen arch that was hurting like the devil and he'd be glad to pull into Hamilton and turn the car over to the motorman that was to relieve him at 10.46. The old boy usually goes off duty at 11.50, but he'd arranged for relief an hour ahead of schedule Friday night, because of his swollen foot."

"Check it, Payne!" Strawn lunged over his shoulder at the detective loitering in the window. "Well, what's the rest of your yarn?" he snarled at his prisoner and Dundee felt a surge of genuine sympathy toward his chief, who had counted so heavily upon "Johnson" to solve the murder.

"I left the interurban at the Stuart House corner at 10.42," Conway went on calmly. "I asked for

Strawn's eyes. "The stories are all complete and I hope Sherwood has the grace to thank me."

"Catch him thinking a dick!" Strawn spat disgustedly. "I've got to wait here for that big bag of wind, then we'll go out to fill-cree together, I suppose, to have another shot at digging up the truth."

"Telephone for you, Dundee," Payne interrupted.

"Hello, Bonnie Dundee?" Gigg's unmistakable voice shrilled over the wire. "I'm dying for news. Has Johnson confessed?"

"To the burglary, yes," Dundee replied. "But he has an ironclad alibi for the murder. You're not to tell anyone though and I mean that, young woman! Where is everybody?"

"Playing bridge," she answered promptly. "That is, Dad and Dick, Glorinda and Mrs. Lambert are playing. Abbie says she's too nervous to play, but she's kibitzing. As sure as Dad bids two aces—"

"I'll be right out," Dundee cut her short. "Remember, you're honor bound not to spill the news till I get there."

"I'll keep out of sight of the bridge hands till you get here," she promised.

"Can you spare me Payne and a car?" Dundee asked, his chief. "We'll need him later anyway and he might as well be on hand."

"Detective Payne liked and admired Detective Dundee, but on the ride out to Hillcrest he found his young associate a very poor company."

"Park here, Payne," Dundee ordered, as they slowed down outside the gates of the estate. "Stop anybody that tries to leave the grounds."

He walked slowly to the house, wrestling with a new theory. Fifteen feet from the southwest corner of the house, however, he stopped short, as his nostrils were assailed with the overpowering odour of benzene.

Who the devil could be cleaning clothes on a Sunday afternoon? But before he tore down to the basement, from whose open window the fumes were pouring, Dundee was sure he knew the answer.

(To Be Continued.)

A twelve-year-old Westcliff boy was summoned at Southend Children's Court for driving a motor-car without a licence, and his father was summoned for aiding and abetting.

The Chief Constable said he told the father, who was sitting next to the boy, that it was simply shocking to let such a young person drive. The father admitted that the boy had driven the car several times. Addressing the Court the father said he was teaching his son how to handle a car. He was fined £2, and the summons against the son was dismissed.

Even Strawn grinned appreciatively at the excellent imitation of Mrs. Berkeley's gushing speech and manner.

"Well, I needed sudden money and it was me that dear Mrs. Lambert hired as a valet," Conway continued. "I had some references, but there's no use asking me where I got 'em."

For nearly an hour Captain Strawn hammered away at his suspect, eliciting a very full and interesting confession of the burglary, but Dundee paid little attention. His mind was intensely occupied with more vital matters.

At the end of the hour every detail of Harold Conway's alibi had been checked and verified. The owner of the coupe joined with the night clerk and with the interurban motorman in clinching the thing, for he promptly volunteered the information that he had left No. 4318 Fairview Road at five minutes to 11. And Doris Matthews was alive at that time.

While Brede, the stenographer, was preparing a statement for Conway's signature, Dundee drew Captain Strawn aside and asked in a low voice:

"Well, what next, chief?"

"Right back where we started from," Strawn admitted bitterly. "District Attorney Sherwood blew in here this morning and told me he'd take a hand himself if Johnson proved a washout on the murder business. I'll have to call him now and tell him the bad news."

He put in the call, with such reluctance that Dundee felt sorry for him. When he hung up, he rejoined his young subordinate and told him gloomily:

"Sherwood wants to see the notes you took yesterday. Got 'em with you?"

"Yes," Dundee admitted, drawing the packet of folded sheets from his pocket. He removed the final page, however, and returned it to his pocket. "Nothing—just some stuff I jotted down," he hastily answered the suspicion in

LOCAL RADIO.

A STUDIO CONCERT FOR TO-NIGHT.

To-day's wireless programme, broadcast by Z.B.W. on 355 metres:—
8.00-9.00 p.m. Chinese programme.
9.00-9.30 p.m. Programme of H. M. V. and Victor records by courtesy of Messrs. Moutrie and Company:—
"The Yeomen of the Guard."
(Sullivan).
The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards.

"I'll Sing These Songs of Araby" (Clay).
"Sing No More Ladies," (Stevens).
Derek Oldham Tenor with Piano.
"How About Me?" (Flynn).
"Oh, You Have No Idea." (Ponce and Dougherty).
Gracie Fields, Comedienne with Orchestra.

"La Source Ballet." (Arr. Winterbottom).
The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards.
Spanish Dance Nos. 1 and 2. (Granados).
New Light Symphony Orchestra.

"Fisherman of England," (Phillips).
"Young Tom O' Devon," (Russell).
Peter Dumas. Bass-Baritone with Orchestra.

"Concerto In A Minor" (Grieg, Op. 10) (In 8 Parts).
Arthur De Greef and The Royal Albert Hall Orchestra.

"Invictus" (Hahn).
"Trees," (Rachbach).
John Brownlee Baritone with Piano.

"Amoureuse," (Berger).
"Jolly Fellows," (Vollestedt).
International Novelty Orchestra (Orchestra).

"Eggs, Teast and Coffee," (Merrill).
"Just What I Thought," (Bennett and Carlton).
Dora Maughan and Walter Fehi. Piano Accompany by J. Williams.

"Nell Gwyn Dances," (Edward German).
New Symphony Orchestra.

"The Old Sweet Song," (Caprice Viennola).
"Love's Dream," (Liebestraum No. 3) (Arr. Bealy).
Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham.

"Lily of Laguna," (Stuart).
"Just Imagine," (De Sylva).
Leslie James. Wurlitzer Organ.

9.00 p.m. Weather report.
Concert by Madam Anna Carola and Mr. Harry Ore.

Programme.
1. Piano-forte Solo.
Sonata In A (Schubert).
Mr. Harry Ore.

2. Songs.
"Conven Partit" (Donizetti).
(La Figlia del Reggimento).
Madam Anna Carola.

3. Songs.
(a) Oh Moon of My Delight (Lehmann).
(b) On Wings of Song (Mendelssohn).
(c) Praeludium (Tschakovsky).
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4. Piano-forte Solo.
(a) Meditation (Tschakovsky).
(b) Humoresque (Tschakovsky).
(c) Praeludium (Tschakovsky).
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5. Songs.
(a) Blue Bird, Sing Me A Song. (Davis and Hanley).
(b) Worryin' (Fairman).
(c) Melville Gideon, (H.M.V. Record).
(d) Songs of the Hebrides. (Kennedy Fraser).
(e) A Fairy Love Song. (Kennedy Fraser).
(f) Land of Heart's Desire. (Kennedy Fraser).
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Baltimore & Ohio 119
Borg Warner 44
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City Service Common 38
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International Nickel 33
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Navajo Consolidated Copper 50
Radio Corp. 84
Sears-Robuck 40
Simmons Company 40
Standard Oil Co. of New York 37
Union Carbide & Carbon 29
United States Rubber 29
United States Steel 173.

Police Commissioner Whalen, in announcing that the New York police had begun hourly flights over the city to search for criminals with twelve flyers and four amphibian planes, remarked, "We are ahead of them. It does not require any stretch of imagination," he explained, "to believe that criminals will soon take to the air."

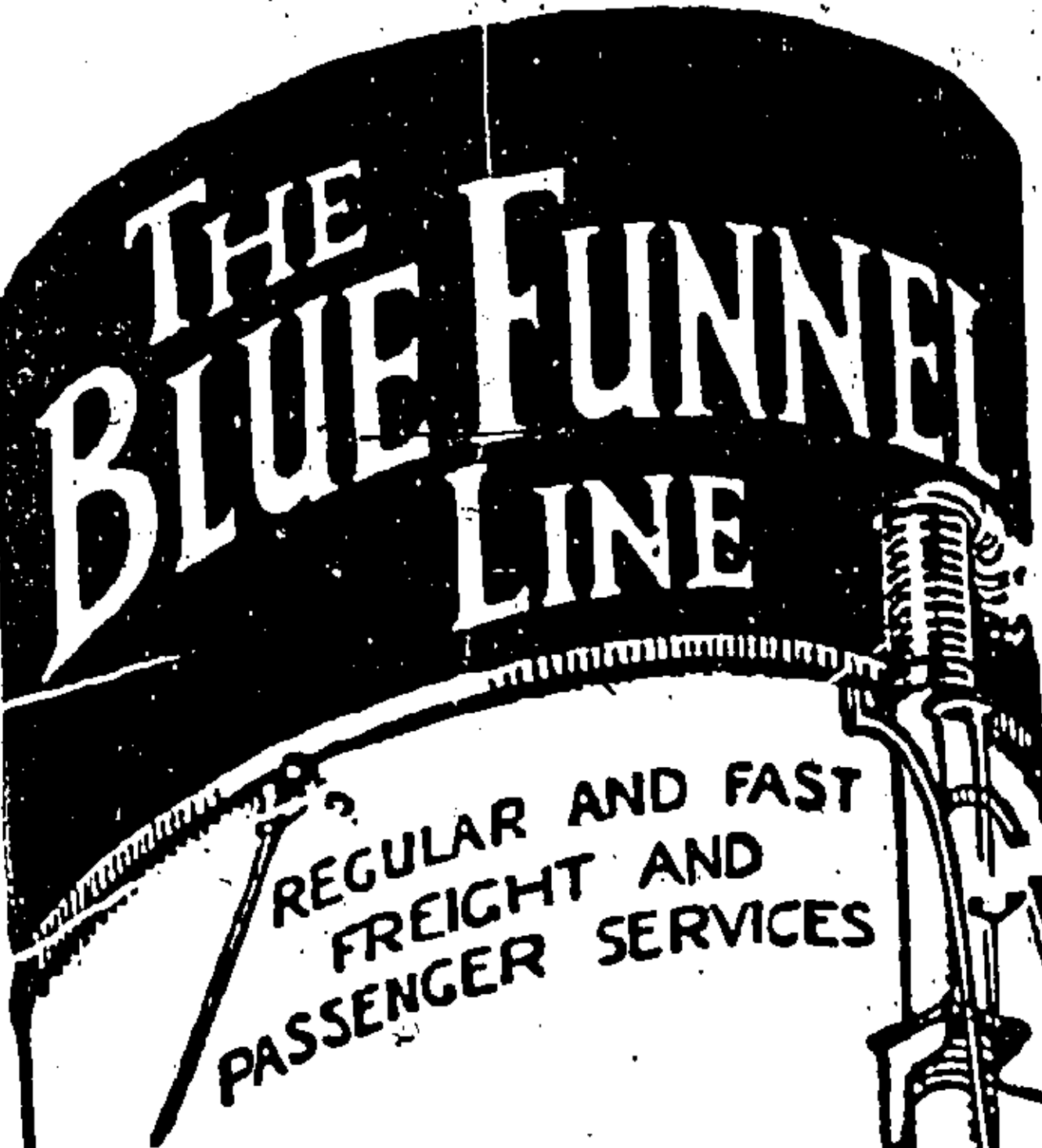
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(c) "Madam Anna Carola." (Madam Anna Carola).
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ALLEGED ROBBERY & CHOPPER ATTACK.

PROSECUTION OF SHIPPING CO.'S FOKI CONTINUED.

The criminal court proceedings against Chung Wing, a foki of the Chinese branch office of the China Navigation Company, 3, Des Voeux Road West, who is charged with robbing a safe of \$9,833 and at the same time making a murderous assault on Wong Lai-woo, together with causing grievous bodily harm to Wong Lai-woo, on April 21st last, were continued before Mr. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when the complainant brought his evidence to a close.

In reply to the Magistrate, Wong Lai-woo said that he did not see the defendant on the premises prior to the assault or before he went to bed. Asked if he wished to challenge the evidence, the defendant replied in the negative. You understand the effect of that. It means that you accept his evidence as correct? Defendant—Yes.

Saw No Thief.

Chung Kwong, a foki at No. 3, Des Voeux Road, spoke to being aroused from sleep by the cries of "save life" and of going down to Wong's office. He was the first to get there. There was no light, and as he was trying to find the switch, Wong Lai-woo shouted out "There is the thief." Witness did not see any thief.

Mr. Lindsell:—What did he mean by "there is the thief"? Where?—He pointed towards the safe.

Mr. Lindsell:—Do you mean the thief was somewhere there?—Yes. Witness said that as he went towards the top of the stairs he saw the beam from an electric torch, which proved to be that of a Chinese constable. He went down to open the grille and to admit him, and they went up to the office together where they found the complainant lying on the bed, groaning and bleeding profusely.

The defendant was a distant nephew of witness, being the son of a clansman. Witness slept on the third floor and he saw defendant before he went to bed, when he was on the third floor.

Mr. Lindsell:—Has he plenty of money?—No, his people are poor. Has he any expensive tastes?—He smokes cigarettes and drinks tea. I know of no other expensive tastes.

Witness said that he went on the following Thursday to see Wong Lai-woo who said that his nephew had struck and cut him. Witness rebuked him and asked why he did not say that before, and the injured man replied that it was because he was in too great a pain at the time.

Missing Keys.

Another foki of the Company, living at 3, Des Voeux Road West, spoke to being aroused by the alarm and said that as he was leaving his room he saw a figure running up the stairs. He could not distinguish anybody, but the figure was wearing light clothing.

The Secretary of the Chinese branch, China Navigation Company, said that he slept quite close to the defendant, and three times on the night in question, between the hours of 11 p.m. and 3 a.m. he had to get up, and each time pass the defendant's bed. On all three occasions defendant occupied it.

PUBLIC HEALTH PROPAGANDA.

PRIZES FOR ESSAYS ON HYGIENE.

The committee appointed in October last by the Sanitary Board on the subject of public health propaganda, recommends that the Government offer prizes in schools for essays on hygiene and facilitate the teaching of hygiene in Government schools by the provision of qualified lecturers.

These recommendations were made public by Mr. G. R. Sayer, who presided at the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday afternoon. Others present were the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy (Director of Public Works), the Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington (Director of Medical and Sanitary Services), the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Messrs. M. K. Lo, T. N. Chau, Wong Kwong-tin and J. Watson (Secretary).

Referring to the report of the Committee on the subject of general health propaganda, the Chairman mentioned that the committee had been appointed in October last and in their report, it was recommended that prizes for essays on hygiene in Government schools be presented while the Government were asked to facilitate the teaching of hygiene in the schools by providing qualified lecturers.

The Chairman pointed out that instructions in hygiene were given in all Government schools on material provided by the Medical Officer of Health. By passing on the committee's recommendation to the Director of Education, the Board would be doing nothing more than endorsing what was already being done.

In speaking of general health propaganda, the chairman mentioned the reorganisation of the Health Board.

Hon. Dr. Wellington added that there were two Medical Officers of Health and two nurses engaged in the work which the committee had recommended.

The Hon. Mr. Braga asked whether the committee's recommendation applied only to Government schools or whether they included the grant-in-aid schools. He thought that the latter should be given equal consideration and expressed doubt as to whether two officers and two nurses would be sufficient.

Referring to the reorganisation of the Health Board, Hon. Mr. Braga suggested the Government should place more reliance on the members of the Sanitary Board.

Witness also had charge of the safe key, which was attached to a ring, together with nine other keys. These he placed in the pocket of his jacket, and when he put this on after the alarm was given, he discovered that the whole bunch of keys was missing. He saw a key on the floor in the office, but he did not recognise it as the safe key.

Inspector Shannon, in reply to the Magistrate, said that all efforts to trace the bunch of keys had failed, and they had no idea where they were.

COMMUNIST BAND OF BRIGANDS.

FUNDS FROM THIRD INTERNATIONAL?

Shanghai, May 13. News from Changsha states that Communist bandits, from 5,000 to 6,000 strong, are reported to have captured Pingkiang, in north-east Hunan, on May 6, and massacred many of the inhabitants and fired the city.

General Ho Chien sent troops to Pingkiang, and a severe battle followed, in which it is claimed the Communists suffered a thousand casualties.

The bandits then left for Hupeh, and seized Tungchong.

The report states that five or six Russians are with the band, and are receiving funds from the Third International.—*Reuter.*

Fourteen Red Armies.

Shanghai, May 13. The weekly newspaper *Finance and Commerce*, in an article on "The Red Menace in China," publishes a list of fourteen distinct Red Armies, totalling 45,000 troops, which are ravaging Central and South China.

They are mostly well-equipped with field guns and machine guns. The Government is unable to suppress them at present pending the outcome of the struggle against the Northerners.—*Reuter.*

Eating House By-Laws.

The Chairman moved, in respect of a minute relative to the proposed amendment of the Eating-house By-laws, that the word "Board" in By-law No. 1, be substituted by the words, "The Head of the Sanitary Department."

The motion was seconded by the Hon. Mr. Braga and carried. In proposing the election of a Select Committee to exercise the powers and functions of the Board under the Eating-house By-laws, the Chairman mentioned that if all applications for licences had to be submitted to each member of the Board, there would be much delay.

Dr. Koch was strongly in favour of the appointment of a committee but asked whether, in the event of differences arising among the members of the committee, the matter would be referred to the Board.

The Chairman intimated that it was a rather difficult question to answer and pointed out that only two select committees were required to refer to the Board. After some discussion an amendment by Dr. Koch, that if the committee were not unanimous and if the committee declined to grant a licence the matter should be referred to the Board, was carried.

Dr. Koch opposed permission to the erection of a native type water closet on Inland Lot No. 2979 on which a garage had been built. He pointed out that the premises were only for keeping cars and were not provided with sleeping accommodation while within a short distance there was a public latrine.

The application was refused by the Board.



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DEATH OF DOCTOR NANSEN.

THE FAMOUS POLAR
EXPLORER.

Oslo, May 13.

The death has occurred of the
explorer, Dr. Nansen.—*Reuter*.

Frithof Nansen was born on his
father's estate of Store-Froen near
Oslo (Christiania) in October, 1861.
His father was a lawyer who had
married the Baroness Wedel-Jarls-
berg. He showed his love of nature
by taking up the study of zoology,
but he would never have thought
of trying to reach the North Pole
if Prof. Collet had not asked him
to go to the Arctic on a sailing
ship in order to investigate the
animal life in that region. On
March 11, 1882, Nansen, at the
age of 21, went on board the Viking
at Arendal and sailed for the first
time towards the North Pole.

In 1888 he undertook his
first independent expedition across
Greenland, accompanied by Captain
Sverdrup. This journey, which was
made on ski, was one of the most
trying ever undertaken by ex-
plorers. As the result Nansen found
that the interior of Greenland was
covered with snow and ice and was
entirely uninhabited.

He then occupied himself with
the problem whether the North
Pole could be reached by the aid
of the ocean currents. In 1892 he
laid his plans before the Royal
Geographical Society in London,
and in June, 1893, he set out in the
Fram, built according to his own
designs. North of the estuary of
the Lena (Siberia) his ship entered
the ice and was frozen in, only
to emerge after three years.
Nansen with Lieut. Hjalmar Johan-
sen left the Fram on March 14,
1895, in an attempt to get to the
Pole. On April 7, 1895, after many
difficulties, they reached Latitude
86.4, the most northerly point of
their explorations and the nearest
approach to the Pole that had so
far been made. After a perilous
and exhausting journey they reached
Franz-Joseph Land on August 12,
1895, and there on June 17, 1896,
they were found by the Jackson
expedition. They reached Norway
two days later, while the Fram in
good condition arrived on August
20.

Nansen's expedition resulted in
a more thorough exploration of the
Arctic Ocean being made.

He had written several books on
his travels: "On Ski through Green-
land," "Eskimo Life," "In Night
and Ice," "The Norwegian Polar
Expedition 1893-96," "Nebelheim"
and more recently, "Through
Siberia."

In 1897 he was appointed Pro-
fessor of Zoology at Oslo Univer-
sity; in 1900 he was leader of the
Norwegian deep sea expedition to
investigate the hydrographical con-
ditions between Norway and Green-
land. During Norway's movement
for separation from Sweden he
first took part in politics. Then
from 1906 to 1908 he was Nor-
wegian Minister in London. In
1912 he made another Arctic
journey to Spitzbergen and Bear
Island.

During and since the war he
had busied himself with relief work,
notably in Russia, and in 1921 he
was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.
In 1924 he tried to bring about the
entry of Germany into the League
of Nations. He married in 1889,
a well-known singer, Eva, daugh-
ter of Professor M. Sars.

Interpret Swimmer's Death.

Sportsmen in general and the
Portuguese community in particu-
lar will learn with much regret

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Canton, May 13.

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sinking of a steamer chartered by
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tary transport, occurred in the
Harbour here on Sunday evening
near mid-night, when the s.s. Sun
Tai Lee, which was laden with coal
and other military equipment,
foundered near the Bund, the ac-
cident being witnessed by a num-
ber of pedestrians. The steamer
was well-known in Canton and
was, until a few days ago, on the
run between Canton and Kong-
moon, when it was commandeered
by the Canton Government to pro-
ceed to Wuchow.

The cause of the sinking was
partly due to the strong current
at the time. The vessel was tow-
ing a number of junks which, how-
ever, were cut away from the
doomed vessel just in time to pre-
vent them from being involved in
the mishap. All the seamen on
board were rescued by junks near-
by.

of the death which took place at
his residence, at 1, Cambay Build-
ing, yesterday, of Mr. F. M. Roza-
Pereira, the father of the well-
known swimmers and sportsmen.

The late Mr. Roza-Pereira was
born in Hongkong on December
3, 1873, and was educated in the
Government Central School, now
known as Queen's College. On
leaving school he joined the staff
of the Pacific Mail Steamship
Line as assistant to his father,
the late Mr. Alfredo Maria Roza-
Pereira. In February 1902, he
married Miss Angelina Carvalho.

In his younger days the late
Mr. Roza-Pereira was a very
fond sportsman and was very
fond of shooting, rowing and
swimming. He was an enthusiastic
member of the V.R.C. and won
many prizes. In 1900 he repre-
sented the Colony in the Swim-
ming Interport. He was also a
very good water polo player.

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deceased gentleman was paralysed
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years of age and leaves a widow
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—*Havas*.

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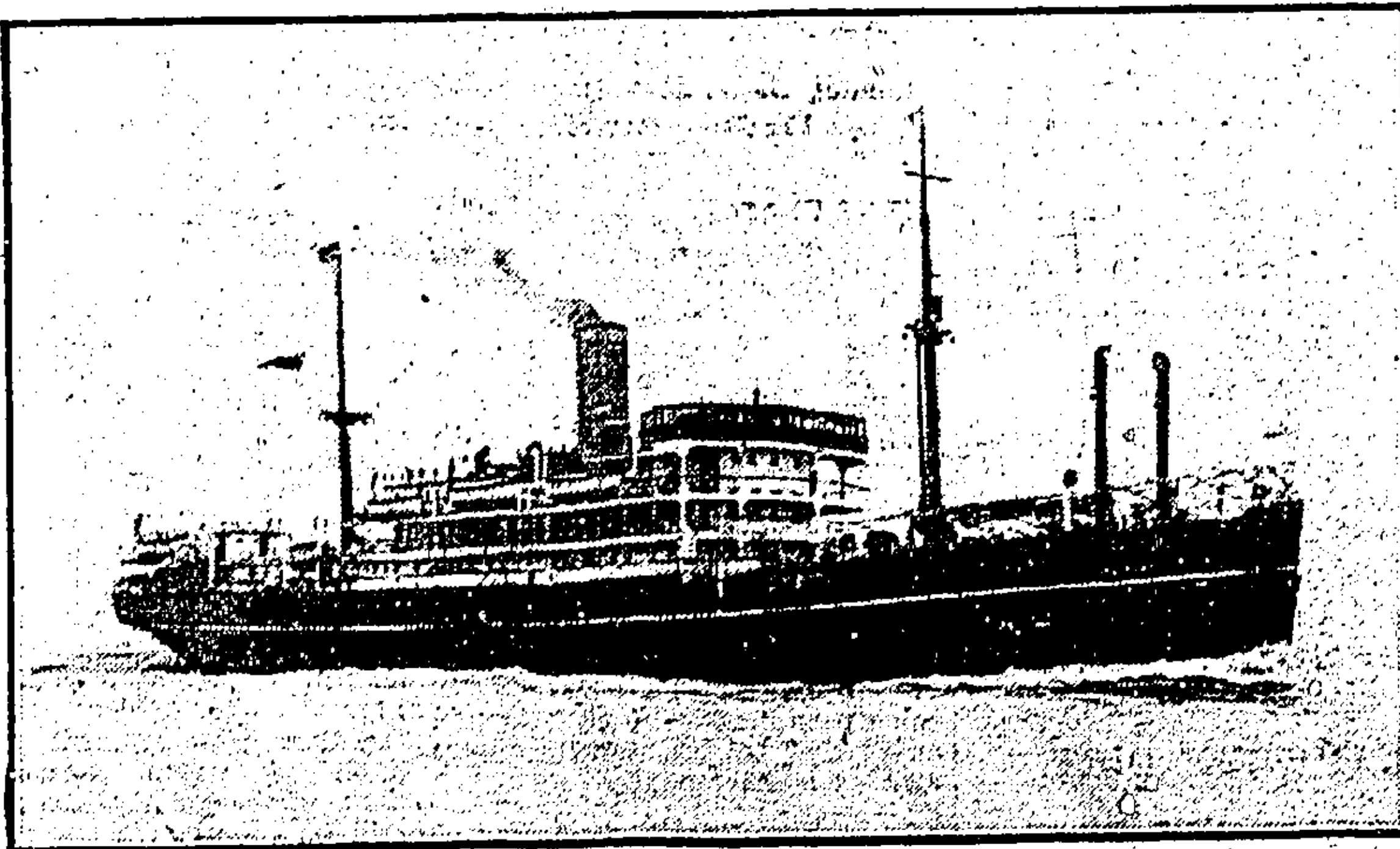
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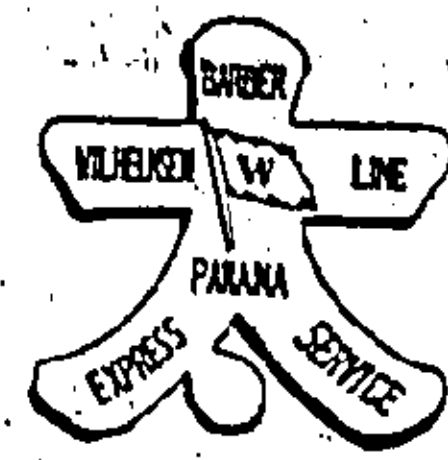


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C.P.R. COMPANY'S LOSSES.

STOWAWAYS ORDERED TO
PAY COMPENSATION.

POINT DECIDED.

There being no authority for a
Magistrate to order a stowaway to
reimburse the agents of a ship for
the loss suffered, Mr. Whyte Smith,
at the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning, adopted the alternative
course of awarding the Canadian
Pacific Railway Company compensa-
tion against seven Chinese who had
attempted to evade payment in
travelling from Hongkong to
Manila on Thursday last.

The men were before Mr. Whyte
Smith yesterday, when Mr. King,
master-at-arms, applied for an order
that the defendants, who had a
large sum of money on them, to pay
the agents of the Empress of
Canada, on which ship they were
found, the fares to Manila.

His Worship pointed out that he
had no authority to make such an
order, but adjourned the case for
the prosecution to consult the law
officers on the point.

When the case was mentioned this
morning, Sergeant Clark said that
he had been the Public Prosecutor,
who held the same view as his Wor-
ship. He could not find any authori-
ty which entitled his Worship to
utilise the money found on the
defendants to pay their passages.

Position Clear.

His Worship pointed out that the
position was quite clear. As an
example he said that if one of the
defendants had \$25 in his pocket,
the Magistrate could say that money
was to be taken and his fine paid,
but what he could not do was to say
that that \$25 was to be taken and
paid over to the C.P.R. The point
was that he could make an order
that the defendants pay any
compensation up to \$100 to any-
body who had suffered loss, and in
this case the C.P.R. had sustained
loss. Whether that compensation
was paid or not, even if the men
had money in their possession, he
could not make an order that the
C.P.R. be paid.

His Worship added that he did
not suppose it would be any good
for him to make an order for com-
pensation, as he did not think the
defendants would pay.

Mr. King suggested that the de-
fendants be asked if they were
willing to pay for their passages.

Accuseds' Money.

In reply to his Worship, Sergeant
Clark said that six of the men had
\$100 each, while the seventh had
nothing.

Mr. King intimated that the fare
to Manila was \$15 gold.

His Worship said that that was
the fare, but he could not say that
the C.P.R. had suffered loss to that
amount.

Mr. King replied that the men had
had to be vaccinated and had to be
taken to Manila and then brought
back to Hongkong again.

His Worship made an
order for each defendant to
pay the C.P.R. \$25 com-
pensation, or, in default, under-
go three weeks' hard labour, with
an additional fine of \$25, or another
three weeks' hard labour. If part
of the money be paid, it should go
to the C.P.R. first.

FEW TOW-BOATS ON WEST RIVER.

FEAR OF COMMANDEERING
BY MILITARY.

As a result of the hostilities
between Kwangtung and Kwangsi,
traffic of tow-boats on the West
River is at a minimum, and, for
the last week or so, only small
craft have been seen on the River.

The master of a vessel on the
Hongkong-Kowloon run informed
a Telegraph representative this
morning that when his vessel was
on her way to Kowloon from
Kowloon and back, not a single
tow-boat was to be seen, whereas
any number of them could be
seen moving up and down the
river normally.

The reason for this state of
affairs, it is stated, is that all
tow-boats of good prize have been
commandeered by the authorities
to convey troops to Kwangsi, with
the result that those which have
not been taken by the authorities
are now in hiding.

JAPANESE DIET.

SPECIAL SESSION ENDS
ITS BUSINESS.

Tokyo, May 13.
After passing all the Govern-
ment Bills, the business of the
special Session of the Diet ended
to-night. The formal closing of
the Session will be on Wednesday.
—Reuter.

ARMED LAUNCH MORTGAGED.

ADJOURNMENT NOT
GRANTED.

TIME WANTED TO PREPARE
DEFENCE.

NOT REPRESENTED.

An application by defendant
for another adjournment in the
case concerning the alleged
fraudulent mortgage of a launch
to Dr. Basto, was refused by the
Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kopp)
when the action was resumed in
the Supreme Court this morning.
His Lordship commented that
he was reluctant to shut out a
defence but intimated that he
might later adjourn the case
should very strong grounds for
doing so appear.

The plaintiff is Chan Wo-po,
porcelain dealer, of No. 64, Bon-
ham Strand West, and on behalf
of himself and all other partners
in the Po On Company of Canton,
he sues Mak Chung-loong (alleged-
ly falsely calling himself Ng
Shing), No. 174, Reclamation
Street. A second defendant named
is Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto,
ophthalmic surgeon of Exchange
Building, but plaintiff has agreed
to a settlement of the case against
him, the terms of which have
already been published.

Plaintiff alleges that by an
indenture of mortgage dated
February 9, 1929, first defendant,
fraudulently purported to assign
the launch to Mr. Basto. The first
defendant has not and never had
any right of property in the
launch and no property in the
launch passed to Mr. Basto by
virtue of the mortgage.

Claim Amended.

Defendants refused and still re-
fuse to deliver the launch in con-
sequence of which plaintiffs claim
(1) a declaration that the launch
is their property and that no
right or interest in it passed to
Mr. Basto under the mortgage;
(2) the return of the launch, to-
gether with all documents of title,
licences, permits and all other
documents concerning the boat;
(3) damages for detention of the
launch and documents.

This morning the claim was
amended to make it read as subject
to the mortgage of Dr. Basto.

Defendant said that since the
last adjournment he had been to
the country for the purpose of
raising funds with which to pay
for legal advice. He arrived back
yesterday and consulted a solicitor
in Hongkong who told him that the
time was too short to prepare a
defence. Defendant therefore
asked for an adjournment for two
weeks in order to enable his
solicitor to prepare a defence.

In opposing the application, Mr.
Sheldon pointed out that the state-
ment of claim was filed on June 7,
1929, nearly a year ago. Defen-
dant had ample time to take any
steps he liked. He had not filed a
defence. Also all plaintiffs' wit-
nesses were from Canton. Defen-
dant was accused of a fraud in the
statement of claim which was clearly
a very serious matter. That
accusation was dealt with at the
Sessions nearly a year ago and if
he had seriously wanted to defend
the present case he would have done
so.

Long Time Elapses.

Addressing defendant, his Lord-
ship pointed out that he (defen-
dant) had allowed a long time to
elapse, from June last year, and had
not taken any steps in the matter.
The adjournment on the last occa-
sion was for the plaintiff to have
time to produce his witnesses
from Canton. Those witnesses had
come to Hongkong at the expense
of money and time. If an ad-
journment was granted it would
only be granted on defendant's
paying all the extra costs.

Mr. Sheldon pointed out that at
the last hearing his Lordship
allowed defendant to speak, which
was a very generous concession as
he had no right to speak then.
Counsel said he supposed the rea-
son was that defendant was not
legally represented.

His Lordship commented that he
was very reluctant to shut out a de-
fence.

Counsel replied he felt it was
very unpleasant for counsel to ap-
pear against a man who was not
represented and that was the rea-
son why he did not oppose the lib-
erty extended to defendant in his
being permitted to speak. Counsel
added that he did strongly oppose
another adjournment.

Hearing Proceeds.

Replying to his Lordship, defen-
dant said that he had evidence in
addition to his own, but his wit-
nesses were not present as all his
time had been spent collecting
money in the country.

His Lordship:—Why did you
not take steps before and why did
you wait until the last adjourn-
ment?

MOSQUITO POOLS NUISANCE.

CONTRACTOR FINED FOR
ALLOWING BREEDING.

NOT ON HIS LAND.

Confronted with a rather un-
usual situation, Mr. A. K. Taylor,
Senior Sanitary Inspector of Kow-
loon, admitted before Mr. Whyte
Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy
this morning, that it was difficult
to prove a charge brought against
a contractor of 67, Aplia Street
for allowing mosquitoes to breed
on land which did not belong to
him.

Mr. Taylor said it was a rather
difficult case. The breeding of
the mosquitoes was a fault of the
defendant, although the land did
not belong to him. He was build-
ing a house in the district and
adjoining his site was a vacant
piece of ground belonging to some-
one else, but the defendant had
left building material on the land,
thus making it impossible for the
sun to dry up pools of water in
which mosquitoes were breeding.
The defendant was actually
responsible for the nuisance.

After hearing the evidence and
referring to the Ordinance, his
Worship registered a conviction
and imposed a fine of \$25.

In another case the owner of a
plot of reclaimed land at Lai-chi-
kok was fined \$40 for allowing
mosquitoes to breed. It was
stated that complaints had been
received from the Prison. A fine
of \$25 had been imposed on the
defendant last year for a similar
offence.

ment?—I left the matter entirely
in the hands of Mr. Remedios
before the last hearing because he
was my solicitor and was looking
after my interests in respect of
this case but he apparently had
not done anything for me.

In connexion with this state-
ment, his Lordship later remark-
ed that that might suggest Mr.
Remedios ought to have done
something. There was probably a
very good reason why he did
nothing if what defendant said
was true.

Mr. Sheldon agreed and said
that Mr. Remedios would be a
witness for the plaintiff.

His Lordship:—Well, I will
proceed with the hearing of the
case. Should there, at any time,
appear very strong grounds, I may
possibly grant an adjournment
later but I am not prepared to do
so at the moment.

Mr. Sheldon then opened plain-
tiff's case, stating that an armed
launch was bought for the pur-
pose of conveying cargoes of por-
celain between Swatow and Can-
ton, via Hongkong and that it was
necessary to have a launch in Hong-
kong to deal with arms licences
and customs permits locally, in
order to allow the launch to enter
and leave Hongkong harbour. For
this purpose the defendant, who
was the launch master's grand-
nephew, was engaged and was
paid a salary of \$30 a month.

Launch Mortgaged.

That arrangement was made
by the then manager of the Po On
Company, Ng Shing, who gave to
defendant a power of attorney to
deal with all matters relating to
the launch. Ng Shing had since
died and the present plaintiff now
occupied the position vacated.

On January 25, 1929, a letter
was received from defendant
asking for a loan of \$120, with
which to prosecute some people
with whom he had quarrelled but
this was refused, because on Jan-
uary 12 the sum of \$150 had been
paid to defendant, an advance of
\$100 and \$50 to the chief engineer
of the launch. On January 26, the
launch was at Hongkong and the
crew were given New Year's
leave. They left the boat for Can-
ton while defendant remained in
Hongkong with the launch.

In consequence of information,
the master and two partners of
plaintiff company visited Hongkong
but instead of the original crew
found two Indian watchmen had
been installed. It subsequently
transpired that on February 9 the
launch had been mortgaged to Dr.
Basto in the office of Mr. Remedios
by defendant as Ng Shing who had
received \$3,000 from Dr. Basto.

Counsel added the matter was of
such great importance to plaintiff
because if a boat with arms fell
into other people's hands and com-
mitted any acts such as piracy the
licensees were held responsible by
the Canton Government and were
liable to severe penalties. The
name of the plaintiff company was
still on the Canton record as the
owner of the launch.

Mr. Sheldon explained that
damages claimed were the dif-
ference between the value of the
launch originally, \$9,000, and the
mortgage money, \$3,000, leaving
\$6,000, plus the expenses of hiring
another launch, \$3,500.

The case is proceeding.

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